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Town manager talks new elementary school

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Town of Wilmington will host two important votes on Sept. 13 and Sept. 16 for the new elementary school project with the Massachusetts School Building Authority in order to procure funding. The *Town Crier* interviewed Town Manager Eric Slagle about the project to get the most important and up-to-date information.

Slagle explained that Wilmington was selected five years ago into the MSBA process after submitting six statements of interest — one for each elementary school in town — and designating the Wildwood School as the top priority.

At the time, it was understood that all six schools needed attention. Slagle pointed out that all the town's elementary schools were built in the 1950s or 1960s. While he said that the town has tried to maintain the buildings to be effective learning structures, they have many issues. They lack spaces dedicated for STEM and special needs, along with air conditioning and room for new technology.

"The educational needs of students are a challenge to meet in those sorts of buildings," Slagle continued.

Upon admission, the town considered and evaluated many options for construction including the consolidation of multiple schools. Through the process, after extensive outreach to the community including forums, online and mailed polls, and many meetings of the School Building Committee, they found that the best option internally and based on feedback was a new pre-kindergarten through grade five school on the site of the current North Intermediate School.

This option was selected in October 2024. It would replace not only the Wildwood School but also the Woburn Street and North Intermediate schools.

Since then, Slagle provided that the plans are being finalized with the architect, Dore + Whittier. Slagle emphasized that the plans have gone through a lot of iteration based on community, building committee member, and resident feedback, including fundamental design changes such as the layout of the site.

The plans are about 30 percent complete in the design phase. There were also votes and discussion around the size of gym to be included, and both the community and the building committee responded or voted in favor of a 12,000 square foot gym to replace the recreational space from three schools.

Meanwhile, the School Building Committee has been working with the MSBA to understand the potential reimbursement for the proposed school. The anticipated reimbursement total was finalized at the MSBA's meeting on June 18, where they also approved the project. The total cost of the new school currently amounts to over $173 million, and the anticipated reimbursement from the MSBA is around $62 million.

Slagle calculated that the local share will be around $111 million. The project previously had an estimated construction cost closer to $186 million and projected MSBA reimbursement of $54 million, but Slagle added how the MSBA altered their reimbursement criteria which allowed a higher reimbursement due to sustainability as a

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Wilmington Police Department

Lt. Scott Sencabaugh selected as next deputy chief

LT. SENCABAUGH

WILMINGTON — The Wilmington Police Department is pleased to share that Town Manager Eric Slagle has selected Lt. Scott Sencabaugh as the next Deputy Chief of Police. Lt. Sencabaugh will begin his new duties on Sept. 5.

His appointment comes as Chief Joseph Desmond prepares to retire, with Deputy Chief Brian Pupa set to succeed him as chief.

Lt. Sencabaugh joined Wilmington Police in 1996 as an officer, and in 2002 was promoted to Patrol Sergeant and Training Officer. In 2008, he rose to the rank of lieutenant.

From 2006-2017, he served as an Executive Officer of the Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council's (NEMLEC) School Threat Assessment & Response System (STARS).

Throughout his time with the Department, Lt. Sencabaugh has demonstrated a deep commitment to professional development. For 18 years, he served as the department's training director, identifying training gaps and professional development opportunities, and creating robust safety protocols and emergency response plans that brought together many facets of the community to maximize safety preparedness.

He has additionally completed a long list of professional development courses in several areas, including leadership and management, incident command and emergency management, first responder health and wellness, medical and emergency response training, active shooter and tactical response, investigations and more.

Lt. Sencabaugh holds a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Salem State College and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Western New England College.

"Lt. Sencabaugh has consistently demonstrated strong leadership, professionalism, and a deep commitment to the community," said Slagle. "I'm confident that in his new

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▲Author Jarrett Krosoczka presented at the Wilmington Senior Center, a collaboration with Wilmington Memorial Library. Pictured is library director Nathalie Harty, teen services librarian Sara Rottger, youth services librarian Nicole Chevalier, Krosoczka, Friends of the Wilmington Library treasurer Joy Lemay, and Friends president Terry McDermott. (Paige Impink photo)

Lunch Lady author visits Wilmington senior center

By PAIGE IMPINK
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Best-selling children's author Jarrett Krosoczka (crow-sauce-kah) visited Wilmington last week to share his journey as a writer and illustrator. Krosoczka spoke to a packed crowd at the new Wilmington senior center as part of a collaboration with the Wilmington Memorial Library.

A native of Worcester, Krosoczka is known for his pioneering graphic novel series Lunch Lady, a story about a crime fighting cafeteria worker, created in a format that resembles comic books.

Krosoczka discussed the emergence of the genre and why he feels it is a great way for young readers to engage in books.

"I've just always been obsessed with visual lit-

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Wilmington Library News:

Back by popular demand: line dancing in the library lot on Aug. 8

▲ Break out your boots and come dance with us! Don't miss the after hours Line Dancing in the library lot on Aug. 8 at 6 p.m.!
(Courtesy photo)

Adult Programs

Drop-in Tech Help
Tuesday, August 5, 2 p.m.
Wednesday, August 6, 2 p.m.
Thursday, August 7, 2 p.m.
Saturday, August 9, 2 p.m.
Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Needleworkers at Night
Monday, August 4, 6-8 p.m.
These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in.

Slice and Dice — A Pizza and Table Top Game Night
Tuesday, August 5, 6-8 p.m.
Join Librarians Mary and Marie for Slice & Dice, our monthly pizza and table top game night for adults. Each month, we'll kick off with a featured game, followed by open play where you can explore our game library or bring your own favorites to share with the group!

Escape the (Banda) Room!
Wednesday, August 6-Tuesday, August 12, All Day
Assemble your squad and put your puzzle-solving skills to the test against two Co-Operative Puzzle Walls.

Learn to Fish with MassWildlife
Thursday, August 7, 5:30-7 p.m.
Join us at Silver Lake to learn how to set up your rod, tie knots, cast, and identify fish with Mass Wildlife Angler Education. Open to all skill levels, no fishing license is required.

After Hours: Line Dancing in the Library Lot
Friday, August 8, 6-8 p.m.
Back by popular demand — break out your boots and come dance with us! Never line danced before? Join Instructor Julie Kaufmann for an introductory lesson at 6pm. Already a pro? The DJ set will start at 7 p.m.

Youth Programs

Wilmington Farmer's Market Storytime
Sunday, August 3, 10 a.m.
Join the Library at the Wilmington Farmer's Market on the Town Common for Kid's Day! Enjoy stories, songs and rhymes with the library! Recommended for ages 0-6, but all are welcome.

Wilmington Community Playgroup
Monday, August 4, 10 a.m.
Join Community Teamwork Family Resource Network for a community playgroup where we'll work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! Ask CTI about any resources they can help provide for you and your family. Ages 0-6, siblings welcome

STEM Circuts with Sneha Shah
Monday, August 4, 6 p.m.
Create Stem Paper Circuits using simple tools available at home! Ages 5+

Outdoor Preschool Storytime
Tuesday, August 5, 10 a.m.
Storytime has moved outside for the summer! Preschool storytime includes books, rhymes, music and movement for ages 3-6. Ages 3-6

Mindful Movement
Tuesday, August 5, 4 p.m.
Join library pals as we flow through children's yoga poses, mindful movements, and read some books to help us grow in mindfulness and peace. Grades K-2

Outdoor Time for Twos
Wednesday, August 6, 10 a.m.
Storytime has moved outside for the summer! Time for Twos includes books, rhymes, music and movement for children aged 2. Age 2

Animal Adventures Live Animal Show
Wednesday, August 6, 6 p.m.
Learn about exotic animals at this awesome live animal show! Meet the animals, hear interesting stories and information about them and get close. Controlled petting and touching will be allowed at the discretion of the Zookeeper. A fun and unique learning experience to be enjoyed by all! All ages

Outdoor Baby Time
Thursday, August 7, 10 a.m.
Storytime has moved outside for the summer! Baby Time includes books, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 0-23 months

Crafternoon
Thursday, August 7, 3 p.m.
Make a fun craft with us during Crafternoon! This month we'll be making customizable pom poms. Grades 4-8

Music with Dara
Friday, August 8, 10 a.m.
With keyboard, felt board, and finger puppets, Dara weaves songs (old and new favorites) and creative movement for a fun-filled musical program! Ages 2-5, siblings welcome

LEGO Building
Friday, August 8, 3 p.m.
Build with LEGOs at the same time as other LEGO fans and display what you make in the library! Grades K-5

Pokémon Card Trading
Saturday, August 9, 10 a.m.
Come by the library to trade cards! This event will focus on Pokémon trading cards, but attendees can bring any cards they wish to trade. Grades K-5, siblings welcome

Additional Information

Mark your calendars!
Join author Sy Montgomery on Thursday, Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) as she discusses her journey as an author. There will be a cash bar, book sales & an autograph signing! Sy Montgomery is best known for her books A Good, Good Pig and The Soul of an Octopus. Registration opens Aug. 14! This is a free event, open to ages 9+, and is located at the Wilmington Senior Center.

WML's Summer Reading is Back!
The Summer Reading Program is here! Register and log your reading online at *wilmlibrary.beanstack.org* or grab a paper log at the library. Throughout the summer you can collect prizes and raffle tickets by reading and completing activities. This year's theme is Level Up at Your Library, running from June 23 to Aug. 13.

Book Store Next Door
Regular hours are back at The Book Store Next Door! The bookstore is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Museum Passes
The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list by visiting *www.wilmlibrary.org/services/mp*.

WML In-Person & Virtual Programming
Registration is required for most in-person programs and is required for all virtual programs, as you will need to register in order to receive the Zoom link. You can register on our website at *www.wilmlibrary.org* or by calling (978) 658-2967.

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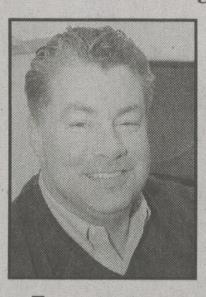
by Todd Brisbois



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Taxpayers may qualify for penalty relief if they tried to comply with tax laws but were unable due to circumstances beyond their control. Options include:

Online self-service payment plans: Most taxpayers qualify for an IRS payment plan (or installment agreement) and can use the Online Payment Agreement (OPA) to set it up to pay off an outstanding balance over time. Once taxpayers complete the online application, they receive immediate notification of whether the IRS has approved their payment plan.

The process only takes a few minutes, and there's no paperwork and no need to call, write or visit the IRS. Setup fees may apply for some types of plans. Taxpayers who don't qualify for online self-service should contact the IRS for other payment plan options using the phone number or address on their most recent notice.

Individual taxpayers' online payment plan options include:

Short-term payment plans - For taxpayers who have a total balance less than $100,000 in combined tax, penalties and interest. This plan gives them an extra 180 days to pay the balance in full.

Long-term payment plan (also called an installment agreement) - For taxpayers who have a total balance less than $50,000 in combined tax, penalties and interest. They can make monthly payments for up to 72 months. Taxpayers are encouraged to set up plan payments using direct debit (automatic bank withdraw), which eliminates the need to send a payment each month, saves postage costs, and reduces the chance of default. The IRS requires direct debit for balances between $25,000 and $50,000.

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Students graduate from Roger Williams University

BRISTOL, RI — The following students received their degrees in May as part of the Class of 2025.

- **Ida Bishop of Wilmington**
- **Zoe Derose of Wilmington**
- **Kiara Nadeau of Wilmington**
- **Aidan Ryan of Wilmington**

About RWU

Roger Williams University is a comprehensive university with a liberal arts core and professional programs, with campuses on the coast of Bristol and in the state capital of Providence, Rhode Island. Across eight schools of study, we provide real-world learning focused on social and environmental justice, small classes, and direct access to faculty and staff.

Our students create powerful combinations of degrees, credentials, research and internship opportunities, study-abroad programs, and involvement in clubs, student organizations, and athletics. Our Northeast location facilitates a strategic network between New York and Boston for community-engaged research and career opportunities for our students and alumni.

Graduating with a unique skill set and the passion to make an impact in their careers, our students become the changemakers and leaders our world needs next.

News and notes from WCTV

Hello friends and neighbors! Here's what's going on at WCTV!

CALLING ALL FOOTBALL FANS and SUPPORTERS!

WCTV is proud to announce that this fall, we're continuing our highly acclaimed sports series, Under the Lights! This season, WCTV will not only feature the Wilmington Wildcats football team but we've added the Shawsheen Tech Rams football team, too! If you or your business would like to support WCTV by becoming a sponsor of these amazing productions, please reach out to Executive Director, Sam Perkins at: *sam@wctv.org*. Sam will provide you with all the details about how you can help us continue our coverage of these epic, athletic superstars!

You can sponsor the coverage as a business or individual. WCTV thanks you in advance for your support!

NEW PROGRAMMING JUST FOR YOU!

Select Board Meeting — July 14, 2025

The Wilmington Select Board met on July 14, 2025, to recognize local student Leah Price for her national SkillsUSA gold medal and to discuss a range of town matters. Topics included plans for this year's Fall Fest beer and wine garden, preparations for National Night Out, updates on school building projects and town budget adjustments, and a review of a proposed housing project on Cross Street.

Lost in Translation Episode 50 — Toby Harris and Jean Bain

Podcast hosts Bobby and Sam sit down with former Brandeis Division III All-American Toby Harris and his head coach — and repeat LIT guest — Jean Bain. Harris is moving on from Brandeis, using his fifth year of eligibility to transfer to Division I Iona — with Bain's full support. Together, they talk about their player-coach relationship, how that bond carries on beyond wins, and how Bain made good on his promise to help Harris move up if he put in the work.

Meetings covered by WCTV:

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WCTV is located at 10 Waltham Street, Wilmington

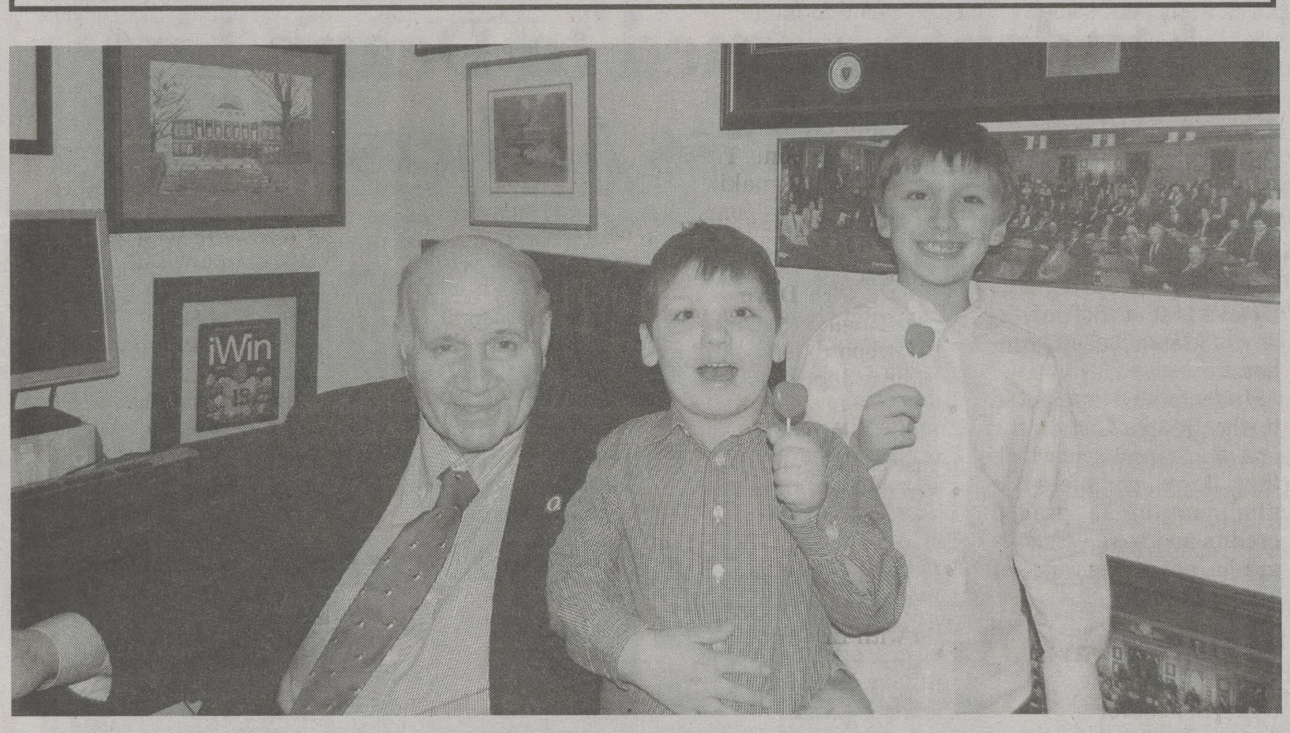
Office hours by appointment: (978) 657-4066.
Questions about WCTV? Contact: *info@wctv.org*

At the Tewksbury Community Market

▲ Betsy Wilson checks out the produce from the Tewksbury Community Garden as Lauren Cunningham shows off potatoes harvested from the garden for sale. The Tewksbury Community Market made a one week-pivot to the town common last week to beat the heat and take advantage of the shade. The market will resume this week back at Livingston Street on Thursday from 4 - 7 p.m.

▲ A row of food trucks with lemonade, tacos, grilled burgers, and empanadas solved the dinner problem for residents last week during the Tewksbury Community Market. The market runs Thursday of each week behind the Livingston Street Rec Center from 4 - 7 p.m. For information visit *tewksburymarket.com*.

(Paige Impink photos)



Keeping it all in the family

The late Jim Miceli — a local legend and former state representative for the 19th Middlesex District (Tewksbury and Wilmington) — has a special connection to Senator Barry Finegold's office this summer. The senator's staff said they were honored to have his grandson, Alex Arbogast, interning with them! They are proud to keep it in the district and carry on the tradition.

(Courtesy photo)

Tewksbury Community Market to feature 31 vendors

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Community Market will host more than 30 vendors on Thursday, July 31, 2025, from 4 to 7 p.m., at Livingston Street Park (288 Livingston St.), behind the Recreation Center.

The July 31 market will feature the following vendors:

FOOD TRUCKS

- Empanada Dada (empanadas)
- Kona Ice (flavored shaved ice)
- Queen Bee Coffee Truck (coffee)
- The Stand (fresh squeezed lemonade)
- Thwaites Market (handheld meat pies)
- What The Fork (smashburgers, loaded fries, chicken sandwiches, mac & cheese bites, steak n cheese)
- The Whoo(pie) Wagon (whoopie pies, cookies)

FOOD VENDORS

- Bittersweet Herb Farm (sauces, seasonings, oils, jams, balsamic vinegar)
- BitzNPeace Farm (fresh vegetables, maple syrup, eggs, plants, flowers)
- Black Sheep Craft Ice Cream (craft ice cream in pints & half pints)
- Blisspoint Meadery (mead)
- Demi Doux Soda (low-sugar soda)
- Drive-By Pies (sweet & savory pies, pastries)
- Farmer Palmer (garlic products)
- Full Shade Farm (mushrooms)
- Holy Moly Snacks (beef chips)
- Pleasant Valley Gardens Farm (fresh vegetables, local fruit, plants, aprons, hats, tote bags)
- Polish Prince Pierogi (handcrafted pierogi, kielbasa & more)
- Roma's Bakery (bread, pies, pastries, cookies, pizza)
- Sophie's Apples (gourmet candy apples)
- Sweet Inc. Bake Shoppe (assortment of pastries & baked goods)
- Tewksbury Honey (honey & honey related products)
- Tewksbury Public Library's Community Garden (organic vegetables, fruit, flowers)

ARTISANS & CRAFTERS

- Kidz Kouture (hair bows, headbands)
- Magnolias (plants & macramé)
- MikeySoph Creations (tumblers, keychains, bookmarks, Tewksbury items)
- R.C. Mulhare (horror author)
- Soak It In Artisan Soap (soap & bath products)

COMMUNITY GROUPS

- Alzheimer's Association
- Chess Wizards
- Public Health Museum
- Tewksbury Garden Club

The Tewksbury Community Market runs from 4 to 7 p.m. every Thursday in June, July, August and September (minus June 19 and July 3). Please note the Market has more than 70 vendors and its lineup changes from week to week.

Visit the Tewksbury Community Market's website at *www.tewksburymarket.com* to learn more. Follow the Tewksbury Community Market's Facebook (*@TewksburyMarket*), Twitter/X (*@TewksburyMarket*), and Instagram (*@TewksburyCommunityMarket*) for additional market updates throughout the season.

Have a question about the market? Contact Community/Economic Development Planner Alex Lowder at 978-640-4370 x 248 or *alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov* and Community Outreach Librarian Robert Hayes at 978-640-4490 x 205 or *rhayes@tewksburypl.org*.

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Upcoming local events

July 31, Tewksbury Community Market, 4 - 7 p.m., Livingston Street Recreation Complex, *www.tewksburymarket.com*. Over 30 vendors, food trucks, farmers, crafts, games and more.

August 3, Wilmington Farmer's Market, Swain Green, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Over 20 vendors, food trucks, farmers, crafts, games! *Wilmingtonfarmersmarket.com*

August 3, Public Health Museum Sunday Opening- 1 - 3 p.m., *publichealthmuseum.org*

Aug. 3 and Aug. 10, Free Inclusive Buddy Track Program at TMHS. Drop in from 1 - 2 p.m. for fun track skills.

August 11-15, Strongwater Farm Inclusive Summer Horse program. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Designed for ages 8-14 students with ADHD or autism. Contact *jane.kirby@strongwaterfarm.org* for details.

August 22, 23, 24, Middlesex County 4H Fair. BBQ, vegetables, animals, flowers. 4-H Fairgrounds, Westford, *4hmiddlesexfair.org*

September 15, Alternative House 29th Annual Golf Fundraiser, Trull Brook Gold and Tennis Center, Tewksbury. Sponsorships available and registration: *charitygolftoday.com/AHgolfclassic*

September 13, - Wilmington High School Class of 1975 50th reunion, live band, dancing, buffet dinner, cash bar. July 2 through last minute walk-ins - $95. Register and pay at: *https://my.cheddarup.co/c/high-school-classreunion-temp65333/items?cart* Questions? Steve Brander *skbrander@gmail.com* Reunion Organizers: Steve Brander / Vin Scifo / Helen Ryba

September 18, Strong Hearts, Strong Minds, Strongwater Farm Gala, Vesper Country Club, Tyngsboro. 5:30 p.m. *https://strongwaterfarm.org/gala/*

Book Store Next Door, **Saturdays**, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Book Store is staffed by volunteers from the Friends of the Wilmington Public Library. All proceeds support library programs. Next to Wilmington Public Library.

Sundays, Lowell Streetcar Museum, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Adults $3, seniors and youth age 3-12 $2, children under 3 are free. Cash only. 25 Shattuck Street, Lowell.

Wilmington Town Museum, **Mondays and Tuesdays**, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Harnden Tavern, 430 Salem St. (Route 62), Wilmington

Middlesex Canal Museum, **Saturdays and Sundays**, noon - 4 p.m., 71 Faulkner St., North Billerica

Massachusetts ranked best public schools in country

BOSTON — Governor Maura Healey and Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll are celebrating that Massachusetts was recently ranked the best state school system in the country, citing the highest math and reading scores in the country and the general safety throughout Massachusetts schools. WalletHub compared state dynamics across 32 relevant metrics, including high school graduation rates, math test scores, reading test scores and overall safety.

Massachusetts was particularly praised for having the highest share of students in the country who received a score of three or higher on an AP exam, as well as ranking first in the nation in all core academic subjects this year. Additionally, Massachusetts was praised for the general safety of its schools.

"Massachusetts is home to America's first public school and has always led the way when it comes to providing our students with the best education," said Governor Maura Healey. "This recognition is a testament to the students, teachers, parents and staff who have invested their time and energy to help our schools succeed all across Massachusetts."

"As a former chair of the Salem school committee, I know firsthand what it takes to make sure our students are getting the resources they need to thrive," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "I am happy to see Massachusetts continue set an example on how to best support our students."

"In Massachusetts, we are proud to support our public schools, educators and students because every student deserves a high-quality education — regardless of circumstance or zip code," said Secretary of Education Dr. Patrick Tutwiler. "We have made incredible progress in the last two and a half years, investing in record K-12 education funding, creating a nation-leading early literacy strategy and making universal school meals permanent. We're going to continue to build on these efforts to help all students realize their dreams."

"Massachusetts students benefit from wonderful educators and a steadfast commitment to investing in schools," said Elementary and Secondary Education Commissioner Pedro Martinez. "This ranking is a point of pride, and we will continue to improve schools for all students."

From day one, Governor Healey and Lieutenant Governor Driscoll have prioritized ensuring a high-quality education for students in Massachusetts, including:

- Making universal free school meals permanent to provide cost free breakfast and lunch to students in Massachusetts, which has led to significant increases in participation and improvements in quality and locally sourced meals.
- Investing the highest funding amount ever into the state's public schools, including for FY 2026, $7.36 billion for local education aid, $675 million for special education and $140.6 million for education transportation.
- Prioritizing early literacy and ensuring access to high-quality, evidence-based reading instruction through the creation of Literacy Launch: Reading Success from Age 3 through Grade 3 and a new $25.6 million investment in high dosage tutoring that will prioritize first graders.
- Focusing on reimagining high school and investing $100 million to expand Career Technical Education program seats at high schools, adding 34 new early college partnerships and expanding Innovation Career Pathways to 82 more high schools, adding 132 additional workforce related pathways for students.
- Subsidizing 57,552 AP exams for low-income students over the past two years, supporting continued gains of Black or African American and Hispanic or Latino students who take an AP exam, as well as last year seeing the state's highest percentage ever of Massachusetts students scoring a 3 or higher on an AP exam and the highest in the nation for the second year in a row.
- Releasing joint guidance with the Attorney General's Office on affirmative steps school districts can take to create school environments that are safe and inclusive for all students and prevent hate and bias incidents from occurring.
- Developing an early education through higher education mental health framework to inform a statewide strategy for mental and behavioral health supports through the public education and licensed child care system.

Massachusetts has also recently been ranked the best state economy, most improved state for business, safest state, most environmentally-friendly state, number one state for innovation, health care, working moms and dads, and women, as well as the best state to live in, to have a baby, raise a family and retire.

Students graduate from Plymouth State University

PLYMOUTH, NH — **David Woltag of Wilmington** graduated from Plymouth State University during its 154th anniversary commencement ceremonies on May 9-10, 2025. Woltag graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

Logan Teixeira of Tewksbury graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sports Management.

Matthew Woods of Tewksbury graduated University Honors; Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology.

Woltag, Teixeira and Woods were among more than 650 Class of 2025 undergraduate students who received degrees.

About Plymouth State University

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Students named to Dean's List at UMass Amherst

AMHERST — The following students were named to the Spring 2025 Dean's List at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Students are appointed to the Dean's List at the end of a semester in which they have completed a minimum of 12 graded credits and have earned a grade point average of 3.500 or better.

TEWKSBURY

Shreya Athalye
Ryan Benchater
Amena Bhatti
Lauren Bielecki
Lindsey Booth
Albert Bosworth
Rebecca Boudreau
Jenna Bradley
Julia Bragg
Donald Bresette
Marykate Callinan
Colby Flahive
Daniel Franklin
Hailey Furilla
Mengzhou Geng
Lily Gigante
Emma Giordano
Fiona Ho
Sophia Hutchins
Kathryn Kelley
Elizabeth Kenneally
Owen Kinnon
Lukas Lemos
Eyhvong Leung
Olivia Millspaugh
Alyssa Morello
Jason Morris
Anthony Naghibi
Cienna Norman
Madison O'Neill
Victor Pacheco
Jasmine Robson
Ryan Rosenberg
Sabreen Sabir
Isabella Schille
Katerina Schille
Riley Sheehan
Youssef Soliman
William Spicer
Skye Bryana Tambi
Jacqueline Vitiello
Brooke Woodman

WILMINGTON

Sofia Skye Almeida
Alex Andoni
Jake Bourgeois
Sarah Bryan
Nathan Cardin
Zim DeHart
Landrick Diaz
Tristan DiMeco
Alison Doherty
Liam Dwyer
Haley Fisher
Emersyn Foresyth
Anay Gandhi
Alissa Ganley
Alicia Gardner
Emily Gray
Julia Gray
Sara Hughes
Lauryn Hurley
Anja Jensen
Talina Khalil
Emily Kitanov
Ryan MacLellan
Emily McHugh
Leila McLaren
John McLaughlin
Jake McLean
Kelsey Mendonca
Jeffrey Min
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Charles Rosa
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Anthony Savage
Evan Shackelford
Eric Spinney
Kevin Stevens
Dylan Tran
Molly Walsh
Jisun Yoon

Local students named to Dean's List at UNE

BIDDEFORD AND PORTLAND, MAINE | TANGIER, MOROCCO — The following students have been named to the University of New England's Dean's List for the spring semester 2025. Dean's List students have attained a grade point average of 3.3 or better out of a possible 4.0 at the end of the semester.

TEWKSBURY

Megan Boudreau
Paige Carpenter
Brooke Contarino
Arianna Dawson
Cadence Fitzgerald
Ashley Giordano
Cameron Kearney
Sara Ryder
Michael Sullivan

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Book Stew Review

'Kill Your Darlings: A Reverse Murder Mystery Unraveling a Marriage's Dark Secrets, Twisted Vengeance, and a Deadly Pact in New England' by Peter Swanson

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

Another of Swanson's domestic thrillers featuring unsavory characters. This one, as the subtitle proclaims, works its timeline backwards to the first attraction between Thom and Wendy Graves, very innocent classmates in middle school, very guilty on their silver wedding anniversary.

Wendy appears to be a privileged woman and Thom to be her willing accomplice in removing all obstacles to their being together and, just as importantly, wealthy. But Wendy gets even worse and Thom gets drunker and more regretful.

There's also a quirky young son, whose purpose remains cloudy through the entire novel, a rare weakness in Swanson's customary clever plotting.

This is a perfect summer read.

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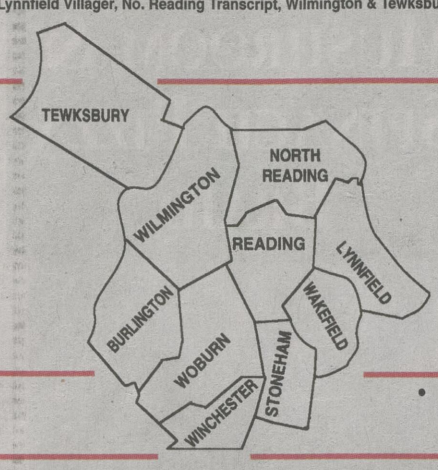

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PEYTON MATTA was on his way to a summer job when he reportedly fell asleep at the wheel and crashed into a guardrail, according to family friend Lance Baldwin. Sadly the accident resulted in the loss of both feet and family friends are now trying to help.

Burlington's Matta family seeks help following tragic accident

By RYAN LAROCHE

A local family recently suffered a tragic event when their son wound up in a car accident over the Fourth of July weekend resulting in doctors amputating both of his feet.

The Matta family of Burlington received terrible news on the weekend of July 4 when they heard their son and brother, Peyton Matta, had been in a terrible car accident. Peyton, a former star player for the Burlington High School baseball team who captained the team his senior year in 2023, reportedly struck a guardrail after leaving his girlfriend's house early Sunday morning.

Peyton, according to family friend Lance Baldwin, was headed to his summer job when he reportedly fell asleep behind the wheel and slammed into the butt end of the guardrail. Although the accident would ultimately cost the young man both of his feet, it actually could have been much worse if not for a Good Samaritan who happened to be driving by and saw Peyton's taillights on and called 9-1-1.

Baldwin said the man also put two tourniquets on both of Peyton's legs, and although he wasn't able to save Peyton's feet, he likely saved his life. Eventually, EMTs showed up and took Peyton by Medflight to a local Boston hospital.

"His father said, 'if you saw the car, it's a miracle he survived,'" Baldwin remarked, noting how the young man could have lost both of his legs above the knees.

Sadly, falling asleep behind the wheel isn't uncommon. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 1 in 25 adult drivers report having fallen asleep while driving, and many more admit to driving when they were sleep-deprived.

These figures show how prevalent drowsy driving is, and according to the National Sleep Foundation, an estimated 6,400 people die annually in crashes involving drowsy driving. Thankfully, thanks in large part to the Good Samaritan, Peyton wasn't one of those people.

The National Safety Council states, "driving while drowsy is similar to driving under the influence of alcohol" because drivers' reaction times, awareness of hazards and ability to to sustain attention all worsen the drowsier the driver and driving after going more than 20 hours without sleep is the equivalent of driving with a blood alcohol level of .08 percent or the U.S.legal limit.

The NSC points out how a driver might not even realize he or she is fatigued because "the signs of fatigue are hard to identify." They say some people may also experience micro-sleep - short, involuntary periods of inattention.

"In the 4 or 5 seconds a driver experiences micro-sleep, at highway speed, the vehicle will travel the length of a football field," the NSC notes.

While it can be difficult to ascertain exactly how many crashes are due to drowsy driving, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration data shows that of the drowsy-driving crashes reported by police in 2022, 693 people died.

A study by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety estimates that 328,000 drowsy-driving related crashes occur annually or three times more than are reported by the police. Of those, 109,000 result in injury while nearly 6,400 were fatal.

The best ways to avoid drowsy driving include, as noted by the NSC:

- using crash-avoidance technologies such as drowsiness alert and land departure warnings
- better interventions by universities, as college students receive less than average sleep time, possibly less than six hours a night, and programs aimed at educating college students could instill healthier behavior
- getting more sleep, as studies show adults need seven or more hours each night
- paying attention to medication labels
- strong workplace safety and health programs that include key information on getting sufficient sleep and refraining from drowsy driving

For anyone who does get behind the wheel, the NSC offers some warning signs related to drowsy driving:

- frequent yawning or difficultly keeping your eyes open
- nodding off or having trouble keeping your head up
- inability to remember driving the last few miles
- missing road signs or turns
- difficulty maintaining your speed
- drifting out of your lane

Helping the Matta family

Baldwin, who coached Peyton in baseball from ages 9-12, said the former Burlington High School baseball player

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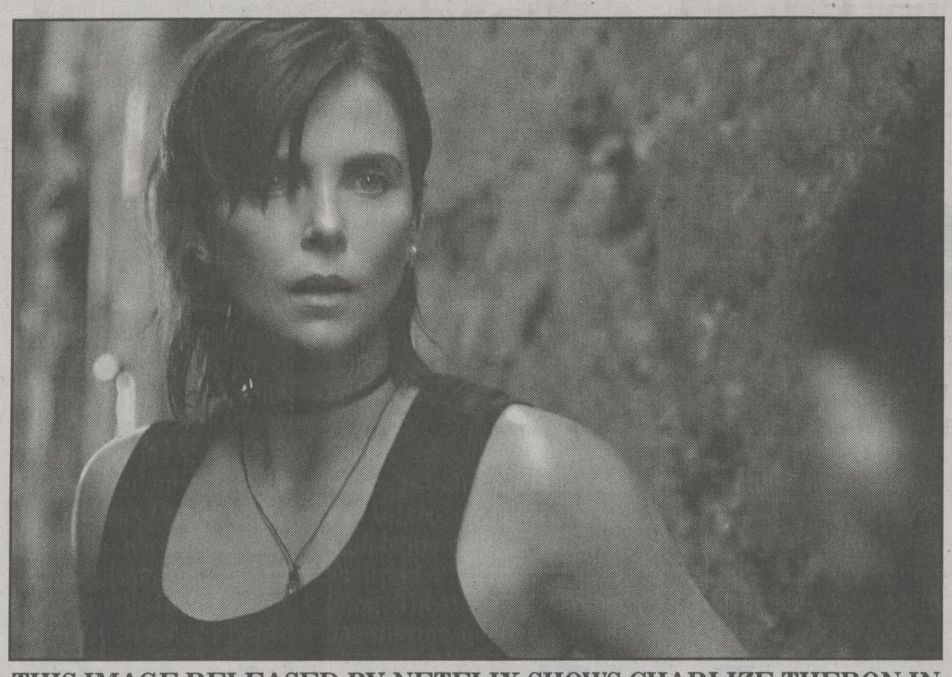

THIS IMAGE RELEASED BY NETFLIX SHOWS CHARLIZE THERON IN A SCENE FROM "THE OLD GUARD 2." (NETFLIX VIA AP)

Movie Reviews & Box Office News

Movie Review: In 'The Old Guard 2,' Charlize Theron & Uma Thurman get half a movie

By LINDSEY BAHR AP Film Writer

Charlize Theron and her gang of immortal warriors return for "The Old Guard 2," now streaming on Netflix. Victoria Mahoney takes over directing duties for Gina Prince-Bythewood in the film that picks up six months after the first. In this installment, the immortals, including KiKi Layne, Luca Marinelli and Marwan Kenzari, have to face off against a new villain in Uma Thurman's Discord. In her review for The Associated Press, film writer Lindsey Bahr writes that it's a serviceable movie with a disastrously frustrating non-ending that's less cliffhanger than commercial break. "The Old Guard 2" is rated R.

About 80 minutes into "The Old Guard 2," I found myself wondering how the filmmakers were going to wrap things up. There were a lot of threads dangling with Charlize Theron'sgang of immortal warriors, split up and facing extinction, and she still had yet to face off with the new villain, Discord (apparently the first immortal), played by Uma Thurman.

The promise of a showdown between The Bride and Furiosa may not justify the existence of this sequel, now streaming on Netflix, but it was something to look forward to nonetheless. And while they do fight, for a little, something even crazier happens not too long after: The movie ends or, rather, stops mid-climax. An ending was never part of the plan.

This might be an attempt at a cheeky nod to the life of an immortal — what is an ending after all, I guess? But unlike the first film, which merely left the door open for the possibility of a sequel, "The Old Guard 2" cuts off mid-movie. Not only is there no option to "continue watching," there's no promise we'll even get an "Old Guard 3."

Moviegoers endure a lot of partial stories in these days of franchise filmmaking, ever desperate for a built-in audience. With some, you know a resolution is coming at a later date, as with "Mission: Impossible" or "Wicked." With others, like "Dune," a part two or three might have been a question mark, but the intention was unambiguously there. There's nothing fun or enjoyable about being surprised that you've been watching a "part one" the whole time, especially on a service that has helped train us to click next episode.

Perhaps that also has to do with the quality of "The Old Guard 2," which feels like a step down from the first movie, which provided much-needed escapism in the summer of 2020 as we met Theron's Andromache the Scythian (Andy, for short) and welcomed KiKi Layne's new immortal Nile.

It ended with Booker (Matthias Schoenaerts) being exiled for a betrayal and the tease that Andy's old companion Quynh (Vân Veronica Ngô), was still alive. Quynh is, understandably, not thrilled that she was left at the bottom of the ocean for centuries. She wants to punish Andy the most — the movie heavily implies that they were more than sisters in arms, but never quite goes so far as to confirm that their love was romantic, which is especially strange given that it doesn't shy away from letting Nicky (Luca Marinelli) and Joe (Marwan Kenzari) be an out gay couple.

One of the most significant behind-the-scenes changes is that Gina Prince-Bythewood ("The Woman King," "Love & Basketball") ceded directing duties to Victoria Mahoney, who has directed episodes of "Queen Sugar" and "You" and served as second unit director on "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker." Working off Greg Rucka and Sarah L. Walker's screenplay, the movies opens with a lively action sequence in which the immortals attempt to nab an arms dealer. Nicky and Joe are the distractors, getting their own James Bond-esque car chase, while Nile, Andy and Copley (Chiwetel Ejiofor) get more hand-to-hand combat on the property. It sets a fun tone and allows for some (mostly) welcome exposition — "remember, you're not immortal anymore" — for those who might not have the best memory of something they watched at the height of the pandemic.

But the film never recaptures that energy again and devolves into an increasingly tedious meditation on time, death and the science of why Andy lost her immortality power (which is approaching "Face/Off" levels of insanity). Thurman has a mighty good scowl as the "bad immortal" who long ago decided she didn't have any desire to help the humans who persecuted her kind, but the movie seems to be saving her big moment for later.

Overall "The Old Guard 2" is fine, a bit of a background movie that's probably easy enough to tune in and out of (though Schoenaerts, a standout, gives it some real pathos). Its greatest sin is the non-ending, which might have moviegoers engaging in their own rants about wasted time. Cliffhangers are a gamble — when the movie is satisfying on its own, it can leave them wanting more. In this case, it might just leave them angry. Audiences in 2025 deserve better.

"The Old Guard 2," a Netflix release now streaming, is rated R by the Motion Picture Association.

HomeNewsHere RECIPE

Sausage, Mushroom & Spinach Pizza Braid

AN ITALIAN-INSPIRED PIZZA BRAID IS ELEVATED WITH A DELICIOUS COMBINATION of sausage, mushrooms, spinach and a little mozzarella cheese. This dinner is made extra easy with help from Pillsbury™ refrigerated crescent dough sheet.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 lb bulk mild Italian sausage
- 1 package (8 oz) sliced baby bella mushrooms
- 2 cups chopped fresh spinach leaves (from 8-oz package)
- 1/2 cup pizza sauce (from 14-oz jar)
- 1 can (8 oz) refrigerated Pillsbury™ Original Crescent Dough Sheet
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese (4 oz)
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/4 teaspoon Italian seasoning

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1
Heat oven to 375°F. Spray large cookie sheet with cooking spray, or line with cooking parchment paper.

Step 2
In 10-inch nonstick skillet, cook Italian sausage 6 to 8 minutes over medium heat, until no longer pink; drain. Stir in mushrooms; cook 4 to 6 minutes, stirring occasionally, until mushrooms are lightly browned and tender. Stir in spinach leaves; cook until just starting to wilt. Remove from heat; stir in pizza sauce.

Step 3
Unroll dough on cookie sheet to 13x8-inch rectangle. Sprinkle 1/2 cup of the cheese in 3 1/2-inch-wide strip lengthwise down center of dough all the way to ends; top cheese with sausage mixture. Sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup cheese.

Step 4
Make cuts 1 inch apart on each side of rectangle just to edge of filling. Alternating from side to side, fold cut strips of dough at an angle halfway across filling, slightly overlapping ends.

Step 5
In small microwavable bowl, microwave butter uncovered on High 20 to 30 seconds or until melted; stir in Italian seasoning. Brush butter mixture on top of braided crescent dough.

Step 6
Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until deep golden brown. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Serve with additional pizza sauce, if desired.

Nutrition
230 Calories
13g Total Fat
10g Protein
18g Total Carbohydrate
4g Sugars

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went to Penn State University after graduation to pursue a degree in chemical engineering. According to the coach, Peyton is currently at Spaulding Rehabilitation in Boston.

"He loved it," Baldwin said about Peyton's freshman year at Penn State, adding how his father also went to Penn State. "They both love the Steelers."

Those who know the Matta family around town, it's probably due to their charitable nature. Baldwin said the family "always helps out," including fundraising for a little girl with cancer. Now, unfortunately, they need the help.

Another family friend, Lori Curran, organized a GoFundMe page for the family. She hopes to raise $100,000 to cover various expenses including home modifications (ramps, bathroom accessibility, etc.), prosthetics (initial fitting and future replacement) and ongoing rehabilitation and medical expenses not covered by insurance.

So far, as of Monday afternoon, she has already managed to raise more than $90,000, which includes a top donation of $2,000 by an anonymous donor.

On the page, Curran describes the family as having "incredible generosity, warmth and unwavering love," but notes they are now "facing an unimaginable challenge."

Curran calls Peyton "an absolute fighter," adding how "despite this life-altering event, he's shown incredible courage and an inspiringly positive attitude. He's working tirelessly to get stronger each day, and his resilience truly is an inspiration to everyone who has the pleasure of knowing him."

Unfortunately, while Peyton's spirits may be up, Currant points out how "the road to recovery for him and the Matta family is long and incredibly demanding." For this reason, she created the GoFundMe page "to make (their home) accessible and safe for Peytons new needs."

She acknowledges the "most critical long-term investment will be the cost of specialized prosthetics," which she calls "essential for Peyton to regain mobility and independence." Curran notes how expensive they are and also how the family will need to update them as his needs change.

Therefore, she is asking for the support of the community.

"The Mattas have always been there for others, and now it's our turn to support them when they need it most," she writes. "Every donation, no matter how small, will directly contribute to easing their financial burden and providing Peyton with their best possible path forward."

Curran points out how "Peyton's positive outlook through this immense challenge reminds us of the power of the human spirit."

On the webpage, two people, Audrey Queen and Olivia Queen, left messages of support that read, "Love you Peyton" and "Love you Pey Pey."

Baldwin, meanwhile, called Peyton "one of the top five kids I ever coached." Although he didn't start coaching Peyton until the BHS alum turned nine years old, Baldwin says he remembers him going all the way back to Peyton's t-ball days.

Baldwin said while the family hasn't planned any fundraisers yet, the Burlington baseball community plans to honor Peyton next year on opening day. Peyton also has a sister, Emmi, a rising junior who plays on the Burlington High School softball team.

Colobus monkey born at Stone Zoo

The Stone Zoo family has become a little bit bigger thanks to the arrival of an eastern black-and-white colobus monkey. The baby was born at Stone Zoo overnight on July 21, to 17-year-old Teka (mother) and 19-year-old Isoke (father). The infant joins a tight-knit family group that also includes older sisters Kenya (age 10) and Fuhara (age 9), and older brother George (age 1). Both mom and baby are doing well.

"The animal care team has kept a close eye on the baby and are seeing all good signs of its healthy development as it bonds with mom and begins to nurse," said William Robles, Curator at Stone Zoo.

In its first few days, the baby already appears bright, healthy and aware of its surroundings, holding tight to mom and vocalizing loudly when it needs something. The rest of the troop has taken an active role in supporting Teka. The older sisters have taken turns holding and grooming the baby while Isoke keeps a watchful eye on the troop. Youngest sibling George is still getting used to his new title of older brother, and is curious about the new arrival.

"The baby's siblings have been curious about the new arrival, watching Teka as she keeps the baby close and holding the baby so mom can eat," noted Robles. "We are excited to watch the siblings continue to develop strong bonds and play together as the baby grows."

Baby colobus monkeys stay close to their mothers for the first year, nursing and hanging tight while its mother climbs throughout the trees. This species operates in family groups, in which mothers, fathers and siblings share parenting responsibilities.

Newborn colobus are nearly completely white, eventually developing the distinctive black and white coloration around their first birthday. The species, which has great cultural and ecological significance in many parts of their native range of equatorial Africa, is distinguished by its thick, black fur and a flowing, u-shaped mantle of white fur. The long, bushy, white tail nearly equals the length of its body. Along with the mantle, the tail acts as a "parachute" as a monkey leaps from tree to tree. This arboreal species forms highly social troops led by a dominant male with offspring of various ages. Calling to each other, displays and grooming rituals are all ways the troop maintains tight bonds. Females remain in their birth group for life while males leave in early adolescence.

Stone Zoo guests can watch the baby grow and observe the family's tender interactions during normal visiting hours. Look up for the light-colored face peeking out from Teka's embrace from a high perch in their indoor Windows to the Wild habitat, or the outdoor habitat. The Zoo's Animal Care Team will conduct visual health exams until the baby is nearly a year old, where it will be ready for a routine physical.

Zoo New England participates in the Eastern Black-and-White Colobus Species Survival Plan (SSP), a cooperative, inter-zoo breeding program managed by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). The SSP strives to maintain genetically healthy populations of colobus monkeys.

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21 Reading Ter was sold to Christian T. Mitchell by Jennette M. Thomas for $860,000 on 07/08/25

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25 Cardigan Rd was sold to Duong H. Tran by Kenneth E. Depaul 2nd and Carmen E. Degolia for $855,000 on 07/10/25

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5 Dirlam Cir was sold to Brian R. Anderson and Lauren R. Digennaro by Anita C. Tofuri and Francis McKinnon for $585,000 on 07/07/25

50 Emily Rd was sold to Kristina Robinson and Edward Bromander by Robert J. Coleman Jr. and Susan A. Coleman for $700,000 on 07/11/25

72 Heath St was sold to Ava R. Tarani and James S. Fernandes by Sandra M. Fallon for $550,000 on 07/11/25

283 Pleasant St was sold to Heritage Builders Inc by Tewksbury Town Of for $250,622 on 07/10/25

166 Pond St was sold to Michael C. Nim and Shirley Su by Ginsburg Realty Group LLC for $1,100,000 on 07/10/25

98 Rogers St was sold to Kevin Stuart and Janice Stuart by Donald R. Pacheco for $525,000 on 07/10/25

4 S Oliver St was sold to Daniel I. Greer and Melissa Greer by 4 South Oliver LLC for $890,000 on 07/08/25

50 Starr Ave was sold to Jason Olivar and Kathryn Olivar by Ft. Giampa and Marco P. Giampa for $840,000 on 07/11/25

2 Westland Dr was sold to Nicolas J. Lebeau and Gabriella Riccio by Carolyn C. Bova for $780,000 on 07/10/25

WAKEFIELD

2 Appleton Rd was sold to Joseph Hughes and Stephanie A. Hughes by Antonio M. Desisto and Louise J. Desisto for $830,000 on 07/08/25

39 Bartley St #2 was sold to Kristen M. Rogers and Randall J. Rogers by David A. Hamilton and Carolyn P. Depp for $700,000 on 07/11/25

11 Beechtree Cir was sold to Michael L. Nigro and Grace L. Nigro by Patricia A. Vozella IRT and Diane E. Scarpa for $980,000 on 07/07/25

62 Foundry St #304 was sold to Xiaoyi Chen and Debera Wang by Wakefield Living LLC for $549,900 on 07/09/25

62 Foundry St #214 was sold to Matthew Clougherty by Wakefield Living LLC for $509,000 on 07/08/25

62 Foundry St #403 was sold to Zachary Covelle by Wakefield Living LLC for $264,300 on 07/11/25

62 Foundry St #411 was sold to Foundry Unit 411 LLC by Wakefield Living LLC for $684,900 on 07/09/25

62 Foundry St #405 was sold to Michael J. McLaughlin by Wakefield Living LLC for $297,500 on 07/09/25

62 Foundry St #410 was sold to Steven L. Lettau and S. A. Low Jret Lettau by Wakefield Living LLC for $904,900 on 07/08/25

62 Foundry St #303 was sold to Haojie Zeng by Wakefield Living LLC for $539,900 on 07/08/25

62 Foundry St #311 was sold to Tony Zhang and Angela Zhang by Wakefield Living LLC for $639,900 on 07/09/25

642 Main St #203 was sold to Kyle Rosa and Ellen Marcelo by Edward A. Hook 3rd for $565,000 on 07/09/25

8 Mitchell Ln was sold to Frank Kelly Jr. and Maria F. Solis by Susan A. Qualters T and Susan A. Qualters for $895,000 on 07/09/25

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44 Clark St was sold to Matthew Blaisdell by Darcey L. Santos and M. G. Santos for $510,000 on 07/08/25

203 Lowell St #104 was sold to Samantha Poulin and Christopher Demartinis by 203 Lowell St Owner LLC for $635,000 on 07/09/25

203 Lowell St #214 was sold to Colin White by 203 Lowell St Owner LLC for $725,000 on 07/11/25

WINCHESTER

26 Berkshire Dr was sold to Opendoor Property J LLC by Kenneth L. Lee and Leslie Lee for $1,223,500 on 07/11/25

20 Elm St #20 was sold to Peter Dornan and Peng Cao by Dina R. Pradel and Kai C. Pradel for $2,200,000 on 07/09/25

5 Hastings Rd was sold to Fangting Yu and Sung H. Yau by Joan C. Ruma for $1,924,000 on 07/10/25

21 Johnson Rd was sold to Yu Li and Jingran He by L. M. & Anne M. Ricci Jirt and Sarah Araya for $1,540,000 on 07/11/25

189 Mystic Valley Pkwy was sold to Zhouying Ouyang and Yuluan Wang by David S. Szabo and Melodie A. Wing for $1,430,000 on 07/10/25

35 Rumford St #35 was sold to Jaime Resor and Thomas Resor by Greenbaum-Levarn 2020 Fu and David M. Greenbaum for $1,635,000 on 07/11/25

7 Wainwright Rd #55 was sold to Daniel Fishbein and Ilene Schuchman by Karen Walsh for $1,675,000 on 07/11/25

61 Westland Ave was sold to Douglas J. Ahern and Michael C. Gillis by Thomas J. Shimmel for $1,050,000 on 07/11/25

WOBURN

155 Burlington St was sold to Jennifer Sex and Ryan Sciba by 155 Burlington Street T and Martha M. Shaughnessy for $1,100,000 on 07/10/25

7 E Dexter Ave #32 was sold to Angelo Tempesta and Rebeka Costa by Fariborz Ghorbani and Mitra Sajjadi for $776,000 on 07/08/25

3 Grape St was sold to Oxana Leshchishina by Linda S. Kay for $695,000 on 07/07/25

12 Green St #4 was sold to Averill F. Snyder and Travis M. Keeper by 12 Freen St Unit 4 Woburn and Dolores T. Kilfoyle for $710,000 on 07/10/25

7 Karen Rd was sold to Cam Dao and Kwaifan Dao by Tanya Guptill for $775,000 on 07/11/25

46 Leonard St was sold to Taylor Herman and Michaela Solo by Meghan E. McNamara for $674,900 on 07/10/25

555 Main St #16 was sold to Zubin Vora and Divyani Parmar by Roger W. Bowen T and Jessica S. Bowen for $630,000 on 07/08/25

924 Main St #14 was sold to Diane T. Dever by JMT Condo Holdings LLC for $315,000 on 07/10/25

6 Manomet Rd was sold to Sara M. Sherburne by Robin Kaufman and Prasoeur Sek for $720,000 on 07/09/25

57 Mishawum Rd #57 was sold to Bon K. Ku and Hyunju Seo by Seung H. Lee and Seungyeon Lee for $660,000 on 04/30/25

8 Old Farm Rd was sold to Swetalina Behera and Kaustubh M. Gharpure by Tou C. Hou and Shu-Ching Hou for $1,149,000 on 07/07/25

6 Stratton Dr #209 was sold to Ryan S. Girolamo by Pulte Home Of New England LLC for $265,600 on 07/09/25

18 Surrey Rd was sold to Dante A. Muzila and Abigail E. Muzila by Barbara H. Socha for $736,000 on 07/10/25

Burbank Ice Arena offering Summer Public Skating and Stick Practice Schedule

READING — Burbank Ice Arena has released its summer schedule for public skating and stick practice, offering opportunities for skaters of all ages to stay active and cool throughout the warmer months.

The rink will host public skating sessions every Monday through Friday and on Sundays. Weekday sessions will take place midday, with specific times varying by day. Sunday public skate will be held from 6 to 7:15 p.m.

Public skate pricing is $6 for children and seniors and $8 for adults. A public skating pass is also available for $80 (adults) and $60 (children/seniors), offering 12 admissions for the price of 10. Skate rentals are available at the rink's pro shop for $7 per pair, with sizes ranging from toddler 7 to adult 17.

In addition to public skating, the arena will host summer stick practice sessions. Stick practice is $15 per skater, regardless of age, and includes goalies.

Sessions are held Sunday evenings from 7:30 to 8:20 p.m., Monday through Thursday from 1:50 to 2:50 p.m., and Monday nights from 8 to 9 p.m. Friday sessions run from 12:50 to 1:50 p.m. (Note: No stick practice will be held July 29–31.)

All skaters are required to sign a new 2025 waiver, and participants under 18 must have a parent's signature. Guests are reminded to bring their own pucks for stick practice.

Schedule changes may also occur during holidays or school vacation weeks, so patrons are encouraged to call ahead to confirm times.

For more information, visit burbankicearena.com or call 781-942-2271. The rink accepts cash, credit, and Apple Pay.

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Tewksbury Police Log

Male spoken to after reportedly making inappropriate comments to 11-year old girl

Monday, July 21

9:37 a.m. - Caller stated baby coyote was in her yard uninjured at Mohawk Drive. Animal Control notified by texting and attempted to get the fox, not a coyote.

1:44 p.m. - Caller reported there was a young child holding an infant that was unrestrained in the back seat of the vehicle while the vehicle was driving, heading inbound from the area of Home Depot. Police sent. They spoke to the operator. Kids were fine, one was 11 years old and one was 12 years old.

4:15 pm - There was a red Toyota Corolla driving behind her and speeding, crossing the yellow lines at Chandler Street and Main Street. They just took a left onto Main Street. Police sent. They checked the entire length of Main Street to the Wilmington Line, but nothing was shown.

Tuesday, July 22

10:08 a.m. - A 911 caller reported a homeless male sitting on the steps at United Methodist Church urinating on the building. Caller reported he was a white male in his 20s or 30s with shoulder length blond hair and a beard wearing a black sweatshirt, sweatpants, and carrying a black backpack. Police sent and officer filed a report.

4:25 p.m. - Caller reported driver following him closely since the area of Dascomb Road and passing vehicles, flipping people off. Currently, they traveled on Shawsheen Street toward Main Street. Police sent and checked the area. The vehicle was parked and unoccupied at the residence.

6:03 p.m. - A 911 caller hangup from Hillman Street. When they called them back, there was no answer. Police sent. They confirmed to was accidental.

10:54 p.m. - Caller reported people setting off fireworks in the parking lot near vehicles at Main Street. Police sent. They checked the area and reported there was no sign of fireworks or anybody in the parking lot.

Wednesday, July 23

1:30 a.m. - Kid told manager of TJ Callahan's Pub he was expecting a ride, sitting there since 1 a.m. when they closed and the children were looking for an officer to come move him along. Police sent. They gave him a courtesy transportation to Fair Meadow Road.

1:44 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a possible argument in the kitchen at Jade East. The caller thought she heard pots and pans being thrown. Police sent. They spoke to the kitchen and there was no issue.

4:52 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a male party in a white Honda had been following the calling party at Pike Street. Vehicle went down Marston Street and was no longer following the calling party. Caller would be on Cinnamon Circle. Police sent and officer filed a report.

5:32 p.m. - Caller reported he had a letter from a date active and called in to make sure it wasn't scam at Hinckley Road. They would like to speak to an officer. Police sent. They reported this was a private investigator working in the area. Officer spoke to the party and advised him to check in.

6:07 p.m. - Caller reported two men approximately in their 40s at the football filed picnic table drinking nips and were making inappropriate comments toward her 11-year old daughter at Livingston Street Park. Police sent. They spoke with the male and advised him of the town bylaws on alcohol.

Thursday, July 24

12:29 a.m. - Caller reported a white Kia in lot with five people playing music and smoking weed at Oscar's Pinata's. Police sent. They checked the area but gone on arrival.

5:30 a.m. - Caller reported food truck idling in lot at Mexica Burrito Grill. Caller did not wish to speak to the police. Police sent. They reported no issues found. Vehicle was off while making the delivery.

11:16 a.m. - Caller reported four minutes prior to calling, she witnessed a male in a gold four-door hatchback and honked at her before taking off right out of Walmart. Police sent. They sent at Jade East with possible involved vehicle. Officer filed a report.

1:36 p.m. - Caller reported someone tossed a can at his vehicle over the parking lot spot at Market Basket North. Vehicle appeared to be a gray Honda CR-V and did drive off. Caller was in a Mazda. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

Friday, July 25

1:49 p.m. - Caller reported she had ring camera footage from last night about a bright white light and wanted an officer to check the footage at Deering Drive. Police sent. They spoke with the caller and it was a spider web on the footage.

8:16 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious teal hatchback parked near Tewksbury Sports Club. It was often next to the caller's wife's car and had appeared on and off for two month with different visitors. Caller suspected the vehicle may be squatting. Police sent. He spoke with the operator of vehicle who stated he lived in the building nearby. Officer filed a report.

Saturday, July 26

1:59 a.m. - Taxi driver reported he brought a customer home to Mystic Avenue and would not pay. Police sent. They spoke to the caller and involved male. Male had a hard time paying. Girlfriend at the residence came out to pay cab. Officer filed a report.

7:32 p.m. - Caller reported the driver of a suspicious blue Ford SUV was taking pictures of houses and the vehicle parked in the driveway of two houses on Claire Street. Caller requested to speak with the officer to show video footage of the vehicle which was last seen on Patten Road heading toward Whipple. Police sent. All units clear. It was a delivery driver dropping off food.

Sunday, July 27

12:29 a.m. - There was a loud party at Elm Street. Police sent. They reported all units clear. Homeowners were going to keep it down for the night.

8:16 a.m. - Caller reported a car pulled over and the driver got out of it and stared at her at Fahey Place Apartments. Caller described the man as a white male driving a black truck and wearing black clothing, with dirty blond hair. Police sent. Officer spoke to the party and checked the area. But nothing was found. Caller thought it was suspicious because he stared at her.

Wilmington Police Log

Argument between neighbors leads to arrests

Friday, July 18:

11:37 a.m.: A caller on Brentwood Avenue reported finding screws in his driveway; police requested the DPW clean up nails in the nearby roadway.

2:41 p.m.: A walk-in party reported a hit-and-run accident involving a gray 2024 Tesla Model Y and a gray 2013 Toyota Tacoma taking place in a parking lot on Concord Street.

5:38 p.m.: A caller on Olmstead Avenue reported his mother was a victim of fraud.

Saturday, July 19:

5:09 p.m.: Andrew Roger Dalio of 39 Brentwood Ave., in Wilmington, was arrested for assault & battery, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct; his mother, Sharon Lee Dalio, also of 39 Brentwood Ave., was arrested for intimidating a witness, juror, officer, or court official, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct. Thomas and Jennifer J Antczak, of 34 Brentwood Ave., were issued summons for assault & battery and disorderly conduct. This followed a report of an argument between neighbors on Brentwood Avenue that turned physical.

Sunday, July 20:

12:30 a.m.: A caller at the Cumberland Farms on Main Street reported a woman who had been at a pump for over an hour and a half and was yelling at other customers. Police spoke with the woman, who said she was temporarily homeless and would be going on her way.

1:50 p.m.: Carlisle police reported an Amazon van had been left unattended for over an entire day in a driveway in their town. Police spoke with the Wilmington Amazon warehouse, who stated it didn't belong to their fleet, nor did it belong to any other local branches nearby.

10:12 p.m.: A caller at the Wilmington Senior Center on Main Street reported hearing people on the pickleball court making noise and carrying flashlights, and was unsure what they were doing. They were found to be a group of kids playing pickleball, with flashlights as a light source.

Monday, July 21:

1:13 p.m.: A caller on Aldrich Road reported finding a paper bag with a $100 bill next to it. The $100 bill was found to be a counterfeit, and was confiscated for destruction.

7:04 p.m.: A white 2018 Subaru WRX and a blue 2019 Mazda CX-5 were involved in a minor motor vehicle accident on Lowell Street. No injuries were reported.

Tuesday, July 22:

10:10 p.m.: A caller at the Metro at Wilmington Station on Burlington Avenue reported that she was kicked off a train due to an inability to pay, and was now unable to get home. The fire department took the woman to Lahey Medical.

10:19 p.m.: A caller on Lowell Street reported seeing a car hit a bicyclist and continue driving on, but was unable to give a description of the car. The bicyclist was evaluated by the fire department, and their mother was contacted.

Wednesday, July 23:

5:31 p.m.: A caller at the Woburn Street School on Woburn Street reported a white man with long black hair and rollerblades taking pictures and videos of young girls. Police met with the man, who showed the phone and demonstrated he wasn't taking pictures of children, but was otherwise uncooperative.

6:47 p.m.: A black 2007 Harley-Davidson FXDB was involved in a motor vehicle accident on Glen Road. The motorcyclist was transported by the fire department.

7:19 p.m.: A caller at the Dunkin Donuts on Concord Street reported that her gray 2022 Subaru Forester had been stolen after she had left the keys in it. The vehicle was later found at the side of the building.

Thursday, July 24:

10:56 a.m.: Victoria Joann Puopolo of 18 Reo Road, in Peabody, was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, and not having a valid inspection sticker. This followed a stop of her black 2023 Infiniti Q50 on Main Street.

3:34 p.m.: An employee at the McDonald's on Main Street reported a man sitting inside the restaurant for four hours smoking a marijuana pen and yelling at customers and staff. Police met up with the man at the nearby Starbucks, who stated he was at a treatment facility, and would be picked up by another facility in a few hours.

4:43 p.m.: A blue 2022 Volkswagen Taos and a white 2010 Cadillac DTS were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Main Street. Airbags were deployed, and the driver of the Volkswagen was transported by the fire department.

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Local residents complete intensive research projects at Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WORCESTER — **Connor Pyles**, a member of the class of 2026 majoring in Computer Science at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), was a member of a student team that recently completed a professional-level research-driven project titled "Improving data management for Land Covenantors Victoria."

The following Tewksbury students were part of a team that completed an intensive project:

- **Noelia Cura from Tewksbury**, class of 2026, majoring in Chemical Engineering, completed a project titled "Capacity Building for Cuenca's Farmer's Markets"
- **Juliana Ricci from Tewksbury**, class of 2026, majoring in Aerospace Engineering, completed a project titled "Advancing Resiliency and Preparedness in Rural Puerto Rico"
- **Patrick Durgin from Tewksbury**, class of 2026, majoring in Computer Science, completed a project titled "International Tour Groups at the British Museum"
- **Jacob Pelletier from Tewksbury**, class of 2026, majoring in Physics, completed a project titled "Humanity and Space: A Lunar Endeavor"

Known as the Interactive Qualifying Project (IQP), this project is a core part of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI. Centered around project-based learning, this hands-on approach offers students opportunities to help develop thoughtful solutions to open-ended problems. These real-world problems affect the quality of life for people in the communities where students work, giving students a chance to make a difference in the world before they graduate. All WPI undergraduates are required to complete an IQP, usually in their junior year, through which they apply science and technology to address an important societal need or issue. About two-thirds of WPI students complete their IQP at one of the university's 50+ off-campus project centers located in more than 30 countries around the world.

"The WPI project-based curriculum's focus on global studies brings students out of the classroom and their comfort zones and into the global community to apply their knowledge and to solve problems," said Professor Kent Rissmiller, professor of International & Global Studies and associate dean of The Global School. "Students are immersed in all aspects of a different culture-from the way people live and work to the values they hold to the foods they eat, all valuable perspectives for surviving and thriving in today's global marketplace. They also learn the meaning and magic of teamwork; make a real and meaningful difference in their host community; and gain a competitive edge for any resume, or graduate or professional school application."

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WPI is a top-tier STEM-focused research university and a recognized pioneer and global leader in project-based learning. Founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems, WPI's continued mission is to transform lives, turn knowledge into action to confront global challenges, and revolutionize STEM through distinctive and inclusive education, projects, and research.

WPI's project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world.

Today WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 18 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts.

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Wilmington keeps on rolling

Wildcats score 40 runs in two weekend victories

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Wilmington's entry in the A Division of the Bay State League improved to 8-0 in the second half of the season with two lopsided victories over the weekend.

Wilmington clobbered Sudbury on Sunday by a 21-8 score just a day after a 19-8 thumping of Methuen at Boutwell Field in Wilmington.

The team finishes the second half of the season this week on Tuesday with a trip to Methuen and a Thursday home game against Stow at Boutwell with the first pitch being thrown at 5:45 p.m.

Stow had a record of 6-2 as of Sunday.

The win over Methuen wasn't as easy as it sounds.

The Wildcats trailed 2-0 after the first half-inning and 3-2 in the second before rallying to take a commanding 10-3 lead.

Methuen scored five times in the fourth to make it 10-8, but Wilmington answered with nine runs in the bottom of the fourth to stop the game by the 10-run mercy rule.

In the bottom of the fourth, Wilmington faced Methuen's third pitcher of the game to start the inning.

Luca DiCenso reached on an infield hit and stole second before Josh King reached on an error when his fly ball to centerfield was dropped. Another error on a grounder back to the mound off the bat of Jack Quinn loaded the bases and set up Bryan Callahan's RBI single to make it 11-8.

John Boland drew a walk, forcing in Wilmington's 12th run, before Owen Daly's infield hit down the third-base line scored Quinn to increase the lead to five, 13-8.

With one out, Joe Langone drew a bases-loaded walk for another Wildcat run and a fielder's choice grounder by Jake Russell plated Daly to make it 15-8.

Zach Strand was hit by a pitch to reload the bases and DiCenso, in his second at-bat of the inning, greeted Methuen's fourth pitcher of the day with a grand slam homer to end the game.

▲ Jake Russell hustles to third base. (Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Blake Kelleher jumps to make a play at shortstop. (Doug Hastings photo)

Down 2-0 early, the Wildcats tied the game with two runs in the bottom of the first.

With one out, Russell reached on an error, stole second and went to third on a passed ball.

Declan Riley walked and stole second before DiCenso's grounder to third was thrown away, scoring two runs to tie the score.

Methuen regained the lead in the top of the second, but Wilmington answered with six runs in the home half of the frame to take command.

Callahan led off with a base hit, took second on a grounder by Riley and third on a passed ball. Daly then came to the plate and absolutely blasted a two-run home run that rattled around in the trees in center field.

The dinger gave the Wildcats a 4-3 lead that they would not relinquish.

With two outs, Langone and Russell had back-to-back singles and a hustling Riley loaded the bases with a hustle play, striking out but reaching first base when the ball got away from the Methuen catcher.

After Callahan scored on a wild pitch to make it 5-3, DiCenso drew a base on balls to reload the bases.

Methuen made another error on Nick Collins' ground ball, plating the speedy Russell for a three-run lead and setting up Quinn's two-run single to right/center that made it 8-3.

In the third, Methuen was help scoreless in the top of the frame and some nifty Wildcat defense was on display.

Callahan made a great stop on a grounder to third for out No. 1 before back-to-back strikeouts by Di Censo ended the inning.

Callahan's glovework at third was one of two great plays by Wilmington. Quinn made a diving catch of a fly ball to start Methuen's second inning.

In the bottom of the third, Riley walked and Daly came up next and blasted his second home run of the day, another deep shot into the woods to make it 10-3. The next time Daly came to the plate, the Methuen outfielders practically straddled the fence in anticipation of another blast.

Methuen didn't quit down by seven runs and scored five runs in the fourth, setting the stage for Wilmington's knockout punch moments later.

◀ Luca DiCenso throws a pitch. (Doug Hastings photo)

▼ Nick Collins makes a catch at first base. (Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Wilmington talks during Monday's game at Rotary Park. (Doug Hastings photo)

Wilmington C squad falls to South End

Wildcats show plenty of fight, sit in second place

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The news wasn't all bad.

Down 12-0 to visiting South End heading into its final at-bat, the Wilmington C team in the Bay State Baseball League didn't just score a run for its hard-working coaching staff, it got two.

And despite facing one of the hardest throwing pitchers in the age group, the Wildcats slowly figured out how to get a few bats on the speedy offerings.

Throw in a few terrific defensive plays and one gutsy performance by center fielder Jayden Williams, and it wasn't that bad of a day at Wilmington's Rotary Park.

South End improved to 5-0 in the second half of the season while Wilmington dipped to 4-1, still very much in second place as the season winds down.

South End scored three times in the first and third innings, then scored single runs in the fourth and fifth before piling on four final runs in the sixth.

Despite the big offensive numbers, Wilmington still managed to flash some leather on defense.

Williams caught a line drive to center in the first inning and Declan Malone cleanly fielded a grounder to second later in the frame.

In the second, Wilmington pitcher Vincent Collins cleanly fielded a grounder back to the mound and catcher Donovan Riley threw out a would-be base stealer with a nice strike to shortstop Wyatt Grossman, who applied the tag.

First baseman Cam Cefali made two good plays on grounders in the third and Grossman's nice scoop of a hard grounder to short ended the inning.

In the fourth, Malone caught a hard liner to second and Dylan Shellgren had the catch of the day with a running grab of a line drive to left field.

Grossman had two nice assists in the fifth at shortstop and added another in the sixth.

Collins, who started pitching before being relieved by Jack Chateauneuf and Malone, ended the sixth with a smooth play at third base.

South End's starter had nine strikeouts through the first three innings.

Riley walked with two outs in the first inning, but the Wildcats finally made some progress in the third.

Chateauneuf walked with one out and went to second when Grossman smacked Wilmington's first hit of the game to center. A base hit by Cefali loaded the bases before two more strikeouts ended Wilmington's rally.

Williams was hit by a pitch to lead off the fourth and fell to the dirt in pain. Williamsstayed in the game, eventually advancing to third base before being thrown out at home trying to score on a passed ball.

Williams stayed in the game on defense too, returning to center field for the fifth inning.

Wilmington's offense continued to improve throughout the game. After the third inning, the 'Cats only struck out once and ultimately scored in the sixth.

Cefali walked to lead off and went to second when Riley's grounder was misplayed.

Collins then also reached on an error to load the bases, battling back from an 0-2 count and running the count to 3-2 before his ground ball.

Williams drew a walk to bring home Cefali and Riley raced home on a passed ball for the second Wilmington run.

Shellgren also drew a walk in the sixth before South End finally ended the contest.

The Wildcats finish the regular season on Wednesday with a road game at Middleton.

▲ Cam Cefali keeps his eye on the ball during an at-bat. (Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Jayden Williams prepares for an at-bat. (Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Jack Chateauneuf and catcher Donovan Riley talk strategy. (Doug Hastings photo)

Pirates finish season with a loss

Tagovailoa's debut is good, but not enough to beat Panthers

(https://masspiratesfootball.com/)

▲ Pirates quarterback Taulia Tagovailoa made the first start of his Indoor Football League career. (Photo Courtesy of Mass Pirates)

Pirates quarterback Taulia Tagovailoa made the first start of his Indoor Football League career. The Bay Area Panthers, the best team in the league, proved to be a little too much for the former Maryland Terrapin and the rest of the Pirates as Bay Area defeated Massachusetts 45-30 at the Tsongas Center.

The Panthers secured home-field advantage throughout the upcoming playoffs, finishing the year with a 13-3 record. The Pirates ended the 2025 campaign with a mark of 7-9.

The Panthers wasted little time showing Tagovailoa the ropes as defensive back Joe Foucha intercepted his first throw on the second play of the game. On the next play, Bay Area quarterback Josh Jones threw a 31-yard touchdown pass to Tyrese Chambers for a 7-0 lead.

The rookie's indoctrination continued as the next drive ended the same way.

After a 13-yard run by Tagovailoa to set up a first and ten at the Panthers' 13-yard line, his second pass of the night, intended for Dontay Demus, was picked off again by Foucha. For Foucha, it was his seventh interception of the season. Panthers backup quarterback Liam Thompson then came on to lead Bay Area on a seven-play, 40-yard drive that ended with Trey Goodman taking a pitchout and scoring on a two-yard run for a 14-0 lead with 5:13 to play in the first quarter.

The Pirates then picked up the pace as Pooka Williams Jr. returned the ensuing kickoff 46 yards to the three-yard line. On the next play, the top running back in the IFL scored his 11th rushing touchdown of the season to put the Pirates down by seven. The

Massachusetts defense then stepped up, as on the next possession, defensive lineman Michael Mason pressured Thompson in his own end zone. Mason was held on the play as Thompson was called for intentional grounding. The result of the play was a safety, making the score 14-9 as the first quarter ended.

With the ball to start the second quarter, Massachusetts attempted a 46-yard field goal that was missed by Josh Gable. Thompson and the Panthers seized the opportunity as the quarterback scored on a nine-yard run for a 21-9 advantage.

The Bay Area defense then made a statement, as after an 18-yard run by Tagovailoa to set up first and goal at the seven, they pushed the Pirates back to the 24. The Pirates attempted a 39-yard field goal, but the snap never got back to the holder. After the turnover on downs, the Panthers need four plays to go 24 yards for a score. Thompson connected with Chambers for his second touchdown reception of the game with a 10-yard pass for a 28-9 advantage.

Tagovailoa then engineered a seven-play, 18-yard drive for a score that was highlighted by a leaping catch by Steven Mc Bride as he vaulted into the stands for a nine-yard reception. Then, on fourth and goal from the one, the rookie quarterback recorded his first IFL touchdown pass as Teo Redding's catch made the score 28-15 at halftime.

The teams exchanged touchdowns in the third quarter as Thompson completed a six-play, 44-yard march to the goal line with a five-yard run for his second score of the game that pushed the score to 34-15. Tagovailoa answered with a six-yard scoring run for his first career rushing touchdown as the Pirates trailed 34-22.

After a missed field goal from 34 yards by the Panthers' Axel Perez, the Bay Area defense pressured Tagovailoa. On a third and 11, Jonathan Ross rushed the passer and was held in the end zone, which resulted in the second safety of the game. The third quarter ended 36-22 with Bay Area out front.

In the final quarter, Thompson scored his third rushing touchdown of the night on a three-yard run, and Perez added the point after and a "Deuce," giving the Panthers a 45-22 lead. Tagovailoa added his second rushing touchdown of the night on a nifty 19-yard run for the game's final points.

His two-point conversion pass to Demus made the score 45-30.

Tyrese Wright added a late interception for the winners as Bay Area notched three turnovers on the night.

Jimmy Fund Radio-Telethon returns to Fenway Park August 18 and 19

BOSTON — Audacy's WEEI-FM (WEEI), the New England Sports Network (NESN), and the Boston Red Sox are proud to announce that the WEEI/NESN Jimmy Fund Radio-Telethon presented by Arbella Insurance will be held at Fenway Park on Monday, August 18 and Tuesday, August 19, 2025 from 6 a.m. to midnight on both days.

The 23rd annual fundraiser benefits the Jimmy Fund, which directly supports adult and pediatric cancer care and research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute (Dana-Farber) and has raised $74 million since it launched in 2002.

Viewers and listeners can tune in and support this year's WEEI/NESN Jimmy Fund Radio-Telethon on WEEI (93.7 FM) radio and NESN television stations to hear inspirational stories from Dana-Farber patients, their family members, clinicians, and researchers. Also joining the broadcast will be Jimmy Fund Co-Chairs Brock Holt and Tom Caron, Jimmy Fund Captain and Boston Red Sox pitcher Garrett Whitlock, and celebrity friends.

Special on-field ceremonies will be held prior to the Red Sox games against the Baltimore Orioles. On both nights, Dana-Farber adult and pediatric patients will be throwing out the first pitch, singing the national anthem, and announcing 'play ball,' among other activities.

On Monday, the Boston Red Sox Jimmy Fund Award will be presented in recognition of individuals and companies for their generous donations throughout the years supporting Dana-Farber. This award is the Jimmy Fund's highest honor and given annually by the Red Sox to those who have demonstrated longstanding commitment to the lifesaving mission of Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund. On Tuesday evening, pediatric patients will join Red Sox players on the field to form the honorary "Anthem All-Stars."

"The inspiring television and radio broadcast from Fenway Park is a special way to bring together our beloved Red Sox nation to support Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund.

Listeners and viewers can tune in to hear inspirational patient stories, and a gift of any size can go a long way in the fight against cancer," said Jimmy Fund Co-Chairs Brock Holt and Tom Caron. "We are looking forward to honoring the historic Red Sox and Jimmy Fund partnership with a memorable event, while raising millions to support a worthy cause."

For more information or to make a donation, visit *www.JimmyFundRadioTelethon.org*.

About the Jimmy Fund

The Jimmy Fund, established in Boston in 1948, is comprised of community-based fundraising events and other programs that, solely and directly, benefit Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's lifesaving mission to provide compassionate patient care and groundbreaking cancer research for children and adults. The Jimmy Fund is an official charity of the Boston Red Sox, the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, the Pan-Mass Challenge, and the Variety Children's Charity of New England. Since 1948, the generosity of millions of people has helped Dana-Farber save countless lives and reduce the burden of cancer for patients and families worldwide. Follow the Jimmy Fund on Facebook, X, and Instagram: *@TheJimmyFund.*

The Wilmington Tennis Open is coming

By DOUG HASTINGS
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Starting on Aug. 9 with a rain date of Aug. 10, the event will be held at the Wilmington High School and Boutwell School courts.

- The cost is $30 for Girls and Boys Singles and $40 for Women's, Men's & Mixed Doubles
- Players can register for up to two draws.
- All levels welcome.
- Send registration info to Friends of Wilmington Tennis at *friendswtennis@gmail.com*

2025 LEXINGTON TENNIS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

The Lexington Tennis Doubles Championship will be Thursday, Sept. 18 to Sunday, Sept. 21.

If you are new to the tournament, played it last year, or didn't get a chance to play, the goal of the LTDC is to engage tennis players of all levels and abilities in friendly competition to grow and sustain the game of tennis in Lexington and beyond. We hope you can join us for a great weekend of tennis this September.

The LTDC will take place at the beautiful Gallagher Tennis Courts (near Lexington HS) and take advantage of the LED court lighting by beginning first round matches (depending on the size of each draw) late afternoon/evening on Thursday, September 18 and late afternoon/evening Friday, September 19.

For draws with fewer participants, first round matches may begin over the weekend.

The LTDC is planned as a 4-day tournament (Thursday 9/18/25 - Sunday 9/21/25) to accommodate busy weekend schedules, contingency for rain delays, and aims to minimize the number of matches played per day.

Doubles Draws & Levels:

(Player can enter 2 doubles draws)

- Men: Elite, A, B
- Women: A, B
- Mixed: Elite, A, B
- Boys & Girls Junior Doubles & Under

Guide for draw selection: approximate (USTA Rating / UTR Rating)

- Elite Level: 4.5+ USTA / 7+ UTR
- A Level: 4.0 - 4.5 USTA / 5.0 - 7.0 UTR
- B Level: 4.0 USTA / 5.0 UTR

Fees:

Doubles Team $80 ($40/person) cash on site at the start of the tournament or venmo/paypal (net proceeds to benefit Lexington Recreation Dept.)

Proceeds from LTDC will benefit the Lexington Recreation Department.

Email:

jeffsemonma@gmail.com for any questions or to sign up, visit *https://sites.google.com/view/lexingtontennisdoubles/home.*

Lifestyle

PLAY BACKYARD GAMES AT THE LAWN ON D IN BOSTON

By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent

For many, summertime evokes memories of sunny, fun-filled days playing in your own backyard. These memories often include participating in popular lawn games that would hold hours of entertainment for the entire family.

In recent years, many of those nostalgic lawn games have fallen out of favor for indoor video games, leaving the older generations longing for summer fun of yesterday, and robbing the younger generation of experiencing these wholesome games.

Instead of just taking a trip down memory lane to relive the simple pleasures of lawn games, you can take a trip to Boston's Seaport to experience Open Lawn Days at The Lawn on D.

The Lawn on D is the Boston area's most interactive outdoor space, located at 420 D St. in Boston, and is considered one of the best free hubs of the arts mixed with interactive backyard play hidden within the busy streets of the Seaport area.

Open Lawn Days is the perfect mix of nostalgic backyard fun and games with the modern twist of an interactive art exhibit.

For those looking to fill their afternoon with competitive lawn games you will not be disappointed.

Open Lawn Days offers dozens of lawn games including cornhole, oversized lawn chess and checkers, lawn Jenga, oversized Connect Four Boards, and ping pong.

There are also bocce ball courts and pickleball courts located at the Lawn on D.

For those looking for a more high tech type of fun, The Lawn on D also offers a new interactive art exhibit.

After a 10-year run, the Lawn has said goodbye to the popular LED swing exhibit to make room for a new art installation called the Kaleidoscope Garden.

This interactive display was designed by Sarah Brophy and Katherine Chin, and inspired by the fleeting joys of childhood summers, like chasing fireflies on a warm summer evening. Visitors can submerge themselves in a colorful field of light from an ever shifting, larger than life kaleidoscope lens.

No two experiences are the same, and everyone who engages in this art exhibit will have a slightly different experience from others visiting at the same time.

Don't worry about complaints of hunger while visiting the Lawn, as there is plenty of food and refreshments available onsite at the concession tent.

This oversized tent features plenty of picnic tables and seating out of the heat of the sun, as well as a stage that features live musical performances on scheduled weekend dates.

There is also plenty of outdoor seating and lounging space to enjoy a relaxing rest, or even read a good book.

All of the games and activities offered at the Lawn are free, including the Kaleidoscope Garden, but due to the popular demand of pickleball, courts should be reserved online in advance.

The Lawn on D is open daily from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., except on Thursday and Sunday where closing time is 10:30 p.m.

Lawn Games are available for use Thursday from 3 to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from noon to 10:30 p.m., and Sunday noon to 10 p.m., from now until Sept. 22, 2025.

Pickleball courts are open daily from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

This summer, relive the fun of your favorite childhood lawn games through the experience of sharing them with you children, friends and family by spending some time at Boston's Seaport during Open Lawn Days at the Lawn on D.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Room 9 on **Wednesday, August 13th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** on the following applications:

CASE # 7-25
831 MAIN STREET
MAP 26 PARCEL 7B

APPLICANT:
P2P PROPERTIES LLC AND DEBORAH PARLEE

REQUEST: APPEALING THE DECISION MADE BY THE BUILDING INSPECTOR PURSUANT TO MGLc 40A, SECTION 8 AND SECTION 10.3.6.1, OF THE WILMINGTON ZONING BYLAW, THAT SHORT-TERM RENTALS ARE PROHIBITED IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON MASS

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Room 9 on **Wednesday, August 13th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** on the following applications:

CASE # 10-25
48 BRAND AVE
MAP 44 PARCEL 57

APPLICANT:
GUTEMBERS SANTOS

TO ACQUIRE A SPECIAL PERMIT SECTION 6.1.6.4 TO EXTEND A NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE WHICH CONSISTS OF A ADDITION AND A DECK.

250750 7/31,8/7/25

MassHire Lowell partnering with TPL to host mobile career center

TEWKSBURY — Beginning Aug. 6 through Oct. 29, MassHire Lowell's Mobile Career Center will be partnering with the Tewksbury Public Library on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to assist local job seekers.

The Mobile Career Center is a bus that brings on-the-go job seeking services to community members.

When you visit the Mobile Career Center, you'll have access to the following:

- Career Services
- Current Training Programs
- Job Search Events
- Hiring Events

MassHire Lowell serves eight communities in the Merrimack Valley, including: Lowell, Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Dunstable, Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, and Westford. For folks interested in stopping by the Mobile Career Center that do not live in Tewksbury or any of the other communities served by MassHire Lowell, you are still welcome to the provided services.

(Courtesy photo)

Registration for Mass Hire's Mobile Career Center visits from August through October is not required to attend. You are welcome to drop-in throughout the provided timeframe but please note that the Mobile Career Center will hit the road again at 2 p.m. All attendees are asked to join the MassHire system.

More information on what this entails will be provided to everyone who stops by.

The library does not discriminate on the basis of disability and is committed to providing a reasonable modification to participate in our events. Contact Director Diane Giarrusso at 978-640-4490 or *dgiarrusso@tewksbury-ma.gov* at least two weeks before an event to arrange for modification.

For more information on dates the Mobile Career Center will be at TPL, visit the library's online event calendar at *https://www.tewksburypl.org/home/pages/calendar*. Please note the Mobile Career Center will not visit in the event of severe weather.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

OWNER'S PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES NORTH WILMINGTON FIRE SUBSTATION

Qualified project management firms are advised that the Town of Wilmington, the "Owner," is seeking statements of qualifications to serve as the Owner's Project Manager (OPM) during the feasibility study and schematic design phase of this project initially. The feasibility study will work with the Owner and a designer to establish a location for a new North Wilmington Fire Substation and once the location is identified facilitate the completion of schematic design for the building.

Subject to the authorization of the Town Manager and further subject to continued funding authorized by the Town of Wilmington, the contract between the Owner and the OPM may be amended to include continued Project Management Services through design development, construction documents, bid and award, construction and final closeout of the potential Project. Consultants shall not include a fee for service in the proposal. Following review of proposals a lump fee will be negotiated with the highest ranked consultant.

Sealed responses, clearly labeled "Proposal for Owner's Project Manager – North Wilmington Fire Substation" will be received in the office of the Town Manager, R. Eric Slagle Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, MA until 2:00 P.M. on August 28, 2025.

Each proponent shall submit two (2) hard copies of the response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and one electronic version in PDF format on a flash drive. Each response shall clearly identify the proponent's name and business address. This RFQ may be obtained electronically by visiting the Town of Wilmington website http://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department until the scheduled submission date. Late responses will not be accepted.

The Town shall not be responsible for proposals arriving late due to couriers, deliveries to wrong locations, express mailing services etc. or any reason whatsoever. Postmarks will not be considered. Proposals submitted via email or fax will not be considered.

The Town of Wilmington does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age or disability in employment for the provision of services. The Town reserves the right to reject any responses or any part thereof in response to this RFQ or take any other action as the Town may deem to be in its best interest.

R. Eric Slagle
Town Manager

250791 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

TRIAL COURT
SUPERIOR COURT

Michael A. Sullivan
Clerk of Courts
Middlesex County

COURT NAME & ADDRESS
Middlesex County
Superior Court
370 Jackson Street
Lowell, MA 01852

Docket Number:
2581CV00364

ORDER OF NOTICE
BY PUBLICATION

CASE NAME:

LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC
VS.
Alfred Cole, Cynthia Kasper

TO:
Alfred Cale and Cynthia Kasper

all in said Commonwealth; and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. §501 et seq.:

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Tewksbury, numbered 121 Emily Road, given by Alfred Cole and Cynthia Kasper to JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, dated August 26, 2013 and recorded in Middlesex County (North) Registry of Deeds, in Book 27650, Page 220 has/have filed with this court a Complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemember status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Middlesex County Superior Court on or before September 8, 2025 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, Michael D. Ricciuti, Esquire, Chief Justice of the Superior Court at Lowell, Massachusetts this 17th day of July, 2025.

/s/ Michael A. Sullivan
Michael A. Sullivan
Clerk Magistrate

250781 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate
and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston MA 02114

CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE
POWERS OF A GUARDIAN

Docket No. SU24P0810GD

In the Interests of:
Matthew A Spatola
of Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/
Protected Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Tewksbury Hospital of Tewksbury, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Expand the powers of a Guardian of the Respondent

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of the appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **08/14/2025.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 21, 2025

Stephanie L. Everett
of Probate

250804 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX DIVISION

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI25P3599EA

Estate of:
Regina Marie DeRosa
Also Known As:
Regina Marie Quinlan
Date of Death: 05/31/2025

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Justin M. DeRosa of Colorado Springs**

Justin M. DeRosa of Colorado Springs has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

250798 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE
OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by 79-81 Vernon Street, LLC to World Business Lenders, LLC, dated December 13, 2024 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 83654, Page 213, subsequently assigned to WBL SPO I LLC by World Business Lenders, LLC by assignment recorded in said Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 83857, Page 171 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on August 7, 2025 at 79-81 Vernon Street, Waltham (South Waltham), MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The following described premises:

The land in Waltham, Middlesex County, Massachusetts with the buildings thereon, situated on Vernon Street, bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by Vernon Street, Thirty and 80/100 (30.80) feet;

NORTHERLY by land of Albert Rondeau at UX, Thirty-Seven and 66/100 (37.66) feet;

EASTERLY by land of Wynne P. Cleaves, Forty-nine and 67/100 (49.67) feet;

WESTERLY by land now or formerly of Edward J. LeBlanc, Fifty (50) feet.

Containing 1698 square feet of land according to a plan entitled "Subdivision of land in Waltham, Mass. dated March, 1958, Rowland H. Barnes & Co., Civil Engineers" recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 9184, Page End.

Being the same property or a portion of the same property conveyed to 79-81 Vernon Street, LLC., duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by Instrument dated December 16, 2024 from Kathy Kesaris and Spiros Kesaris filed on February 11, 2015 as Document Number 201500018157 and in Book 64896 at Page 464 in the Middlesex County records.

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY: Commonly known as 79-81 Vernon Street, Waltham, MA 02453 (Parcel ID - R058-020-0013)

Commonly known as: 79-81 Vernon Street, Waltham, MA 02453

Parcel Number: R058-020-0013

Sale is subject to a senior Mortgage recorded in Said Registry of Deeds at Book 61899, Page 102.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

TERMS OF SALE:
A deposit of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS ($15,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

WBL SPO I LLC
Present Holder of said Mortgage,
By Its Attorneys,
ORLANS LAW GROUP PLLC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
25-000570

250711 7/17,24,31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate
and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801

CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN
FOR INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT TO
G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. MI25P3832GD

In the matter of:
Rafael Garcia
Of: Lawrence, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Mass. Dept. of Mental Health of Westborough, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Rafael Garcia** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **08/15/2025.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 18, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **August 18, 2025 at 7:05 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Salvatore Micieli on behalf of Nicholas and Samantha Indrisano for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct an addition to the single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 17 Marion Street, Assessor's Map 51, Lot 47, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

250725 7/31, 8/7/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **August13, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. within the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street**, for a NOI application filed byJack Berube for raze existing single family home and build a new single family home within 100' of abordering vegetative wetland.

The property subject to this application is located at **300 SOUTH ST TEWKSBURY, MA, Assessor's Map 95-41.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application ,please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan
Chair

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

SITE PLAN REVIEW,

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **August 18, 2025 at 7:10 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Bohler Engineering on behalf of Walmart Real Estate Business Trust** for a Site Plan Review pursuant to Section 3.6 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 4,336 SF addition to the retail store to support online grocery pickup operations as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 333 Main Street, Assessor's Map 10, Lot 72, zoned General Business.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

250767 7/31, 8/7/25

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE
TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

Notice is hereby given that the Select Board will conduct a public hearing in accordance with Mass. General Laws, Chapter 138, on Tuesday, **August 12, 2025, at 7:00 p.m**. in the Main Hall at the Town Hall, 1009 Main Street on the application by Rachel Baptista on behalf of the Greg Hill Foundation which will be hosting the Summerfest Field Day Event at 165 Livingston Street. This event will take place on Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The entertainment will include several live bands which include a kids/family band playing from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. then three cover bands playing from 2:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. There will also be a DJ, dancing by patrons and the use of an outdoor amplification system.

Input is welcomed from the public. The Select Board recommends that comments be submitted in writing to the Select Board, Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA, 01876 on or before noon time Thursday, August 7, 2025.

Mark Kratman, Chair
Select Board

250793 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **August 18, 2025 at 7:00 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Paul J. O'Keefe on behalf of Michael Faria for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct an addition to the single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 15 Wolcott Street, Assessor's Map 82, Lot 130, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

250696 7/31, 8/7/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **August 13, 2025, at 6:30 P.M.** within the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, for a NOI application filed by Modern Colonial Designs for construction of a single-family home within 100' of a bordering vegetative wetland .

The property subject to this application is located at 0 SHAWSHEEN ST TEWKSBURY, MA, Assessor's Map 84-37.

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application ,please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan
Chair

250786 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate
and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI25P3921EA

Estate of:
Phyllis Morgado
Date of Death: 08/05/2023

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment** of **Personal Representative** has been filed by

Lionildo Morgado of Wilmington MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Lionildo Morgado of Wilmington MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/22/2025.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION UNDER
THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE
CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 25, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

250799 7/31/25

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **August13, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. within the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street**, for a NOI application filed byRyan Burke for relocation of infrastructure, reconfiguration of parking lot, installation of new utility supportstructures within 100' of a bordering vegetative wetland.

The property subject to this application is located at **100-200 AMES POND DR TEWKSBURY, MA,Assessor's Map 66-1.**

The application may be examined on the Conservation Commission webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application ,please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Daniel Ronan
Chair

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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Mediation date set for Market Basket

By PAIGE IMPINK
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — As the corporate and family drama continues over succession planning, financial transparency, and the future of Market Basket, a date has been set for the players to hash it out.

According to a statement from Justine Griffin, the spokesperson for Arthur T. Demoulas, "Arthur T. Demoulas confirms that the parties have agreed to put the issues between them to a mediator on Sept. 3 in hopes of avoiding litigation and reaching a quicker and amicable resolution that is in the best interest of Market Basket's associates, customers and the communities it serves."

The company has been in the headlines since Demoulas, CEO of the company, was placed on paid administrative leave by the board of directors in late May. Additional senior executives have since been fired and replaced.

The board of directors alleges that Demoulas and others planned to initiate a work stoppage, a charge that all, including director of operations Joe Schmidt and grocery manager Tom Gordon, vehemently deny.

An investigation into the allegation was to be conducted by law firm Quinn Emanuel. As reported in the *Lowell Sun*, an attorney with the firm indicated the investigation is wrapping up.

"However, out of deference to Mr. Demoulas, at this stage, the board has decided not to release its findings until the board and Mr. Demoulas have the opportunity to meet with a neutral mediator to determine if the long-standing issues between them can be resolved," said Harvey Wolkoff, an attorney with the firm.

In a statement released on July 29, Griffin responded saying, "The discussions about a mediation have been going on for more than two weeks. And that fact alone illustrates how irresponsible Directors Jay Hachigian, Steven Collins and Michael Keyes were early last week, when they fired Joe Schmidt and Tom Gordon and then promoted a series of employees to take their places. This was all done in a clear attempt to get out ahead of the mediation process in an effort to further silence the associates within the company who are demanding the return of the senior management team."

Demoulas and others have called the situation a premeditated attempt by Demoulas' three sisters, by way of their board representatives, to place their own children at the helm. The board, for its part, claims that Demoulas has not provided a succession plan for the 90-store chain, and has not been forthcoming about budget and financial information.

Healey, Forcina graduate from WPI

WORCESTER — On Friday, May 16, two Wilmington residents received degrees at WPI's 156th Commencement: **Justin Healey**, who majored in Computer Science, was bestowed a BS/MS degree, and **Ryan Forcina**, who majored in Biomedical Engineering, was bestowed a bachelor's degree.

Nearly 1,300 undergraduate degrees were awarded during the ceremony.

President Grace J. Wang, PhD, and Board of Trustees Chair William Fitzgerald presided over the exercises.

Wang told members of the Class of 2025 they are entering a changing world filled with competing visions for how to solve challenges and advance society. But, she said, along with knowledge and technical competence in their chosen fields of study, WPI graduates have been equipped with the ability to think critically, to be resilient, to work in teams, and to do it all with a sense of ethics and global responsibility.

"Outside these walls today is a world that needs you," Wang said. "Not just because of what you have learned to do in your chosen field, but because of who you are, and also because of the leadership qualities you built at WPI."

Delivering the undergraduate Commencement address, Michelle Gass '90, president and chief executive officer of Levi Strauss & Co., reflected on her journey from student to global business leader to inspire the Class of 2025. Gass said she's often asked how a chemical engineering graduate from WPI became CEO of one of the most iconic apparel companies in the world. The answer, she told the graduates, lies in a handful of guiding principles she started refining in her years on the WPI campus.

"I've realized that to the extent I've been successful and able to engineer the kind of life I wanted for myself and my family, it's largely because I learned how to approach problems and moments intentionally and productively, while keeping real people in mind at all times," Gass said.

Gass and Mark Fuller, chair and treasurer of the George F. and Sybil H. Fuller Foundation, a significant supporter of WPI, received honorary degrees as part of the ceremony.

Student speaker Dhespina Zhidro, a biomedical engineering and mechanical engineering double major, reminded fellow graduates about the community they formed for themselves, shaped by a collective experience that included struggle, doubt, and, ultimately, achievement.

"WPI has given us more than an education," Zhidro said. "It has given us a blueprint for how to live, how to lead, create meaningful change, and leave every place we enter better than we found it."

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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Today WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 18 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. To help address ongoing challenges, improve lives, and help create a more sustainable world, WPI faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research in such areas as the life sciences, smart technologies, materials and manufacturing, and global initiatives.

Namakula named to Dean's List at MassBay Community College

WELLESLEY HILLS — **Judith Namakula of Wilmington,** who studies General Studies, has been named to the MassBay Community College Dean's List, earning this academic honor for the spring 2025 semester.

To be eligible for the MassBay Dean's List, students must complete at least six credits of college-level courses, earn a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher, and be in good standing with the College.

To learn more about MassBay, visit *massbay.edu*

MassBay Community College is the most affordable higher education option in MetroWest Boston and is free to most Massachusetts residents without a bachelor's degree. With more than 70 associate degree and certificate programs, along with comprehensive workforce and educational training, MassBay provides a wide range of courses with flexible day, evening, and weekend classes in Wellesley, Framingham, the Automotive Technology Center in Ashland, and online, in high-demand fields including health and life sciences, computer science, engineering, cybersecurity, business, and the humanities.

MassBay students receive unparalleled value, with free one-on-one academic and social support services, compassionate and experienced faculty, and stackable credits that easily transfer to bachelor's degree programs and that provide hands-on, workforce-ready skills. Health sciences, human services, early childhood education, and many general education programs are offered at the 65,000 square foot, state-of-the-art MassBay Framingham, which has served the community since January 2024.

Founded in 1961, Mass Bay has been accredited by multiple governing bodies and remains dedicated to serving its diverse communities, fostering inclusiveness, and advancing equity for all.

New deputy chief to take over on Friday, Sept. 5

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role as deputy chief, he will continue to serve Wilmington with distinction and play a key role in guiding the department into the future."

"I look forward to working with Lt. Sencabaugh as the next Deputy Police Chief of the Wilmington Police Department," said Deputy Chief Pupa. "He has led a distinguished career, and he is an asset to the community and the police department."

"It is with great pride that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Lt. Scott Sencabaugh on his well-earned promotion," said Chief Desmond. "His dedication and exemplary service have been a testament to his character and professionalism. I wish him continued success in this new position and have every confidence that he and Chief Pupa will excel in their new leadership positions."

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Votes to take place on Sept. 13 and Sept. 16 for new school

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Slagle described the town's plan for funding the new school which will involve using $15 million from the capital stabilization fund to pay down the debt. The other $96 million would be borrowed using a debt exclusion for a 30-year period at 4.5 percent.

Slagle mentioned that this will require payments of around $5.8 million in principal and interest every year, raised through raising the residential tax rate by 60 cents per thousand. He estimated residential tax rates for a $500,000 home would see an annual increase in taxes by about $300, and closer to a $750,000 home value would bring an annual increase in taxes by about $450.

Slagle recalled that they determined to put forward cash from reserves to reduce the tax impact on residents and chose a fixed amount for payments to set the lowest amount of tax impact in year one.

He acknowledged the town's plan to replicate a similar consolidated elementary school on the west side of town. Slagle explained that this could be paid off with money freed up from the town's pension liability in the mid-2030s rather than raising taxes.

The upcoming votes both need approval in order for the town to move forward in the process. On Sept. 13, the vote to authorize borrowing the $96 million requires a 2/3 majority of all residents who show up in person to the special Town Meeting. Then on Sept. 16, the local ballot question needs a simple majority to pass and authorize the debt exclusion to pay back the debt.

There would be in person early voting only for the ballot question from Aug. 4 through Sept. 5 at the town clerk's office during town hall hours.

Should either vote fail, Slagle described that the MSBA would allow the town ten days to create a new plan to try to get the votes to pass which would require approval and an extension to carry out. Otherwise, the town would lose the $62 million in MSBA reimbursement and have to start all over to create a new school for the youngest learners in town.

This would add another 5-10 years to the process if the town pursues the MSBA again. He also clarified that the cost projected for bringing the current elementary schools up to code ranged from $29 million to $35 million per school.

Residents with questions or concerns are invited to reach out to the town manager's office to learn more or peruse the webpage for the project hosted on the Wilmington Public Schools website.

Graphic novelist comes to town

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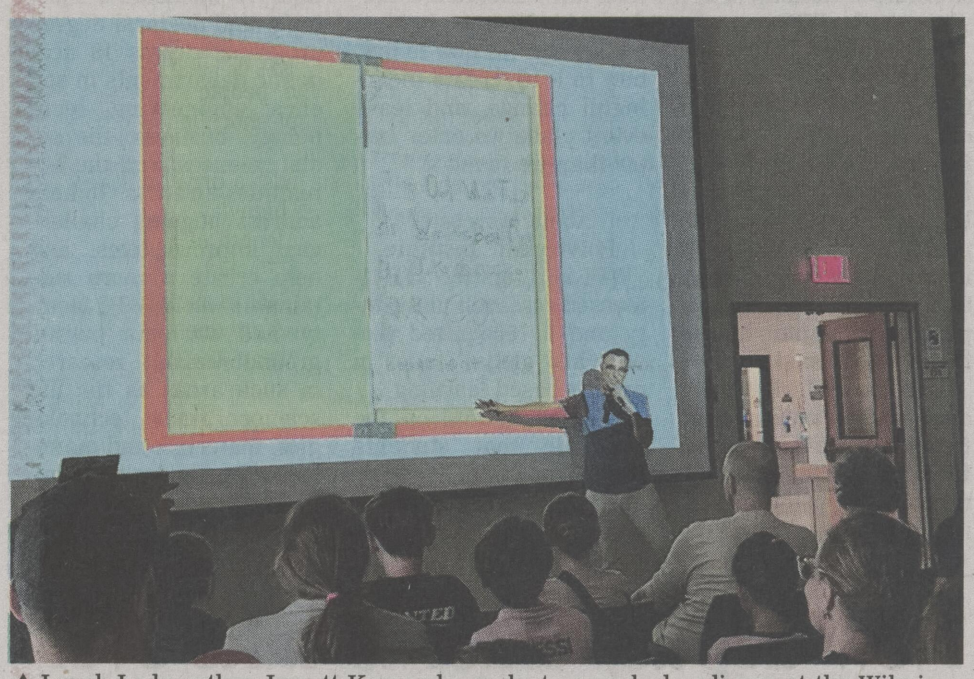
eracy, visual storytelling," said Krosoczka, an illustrator by training.

Krosoczka is a National Book Award finalist and has garnered millions of views online via his TED Talks and video tutorials. Graphic novels have become a popular format for young or reluctant readers to engage in books.



▲ Lunch Lady author Jarrett Krosoczka spoke to a packed audience at the Wilmington Senior Center last week. Krosoczka is the author of several popular children's books and graphic novel series. (Paige Impink photo)

Raised by his grandparents, Krosoczka's love of drawing was nurtured by visits to the Worcester art museum and influenced by his surroundings: Garfield and Snoopy comics in the newspaper.

Krosoczka recounted that his grandfather would read to him every night, and his favorite book was Beverly Cleary's The Mouse and the Motorcycle. However, Krosoczka said that the adults in his life were focused on "real books," and that comics were not considered suitable reading material.

Through the influence of an art teacher that introduced him to picture books, Krosoczka created his own at the age of 16. He went on to study illustration and described the process of receiving multiple rejections by publishers.

He then described running into his old lunch ladies from school, and was shocked to learn they had kids, grandkids, and that they actually left the school at the end of the day. Audience members laughed in agreement.

This encounter, said Krosoczka, became the inspiration for the beloved series.

Krosoczka developed an after-hours crime fighting character and worked on his idea for the graphic novel format — something unknown at the time in publishing. Finally recognized by a publisher, Krosoczka explained how the creative and production process for the books evolved, including how the iconic yellow, gray and black colors started out in his books.

"So, inspired by that iconic dishwashing rubber glove, I decided yellow would be the signature color for the series," Krosoczka said.

The cost of going full color was just too expensive for a new, untested book at the time.

Krosoczka then engaged the audience as he drew his Lunch Lady characters on the screen. He explained the process for creating characters, and how he uses special pencils and ink.

Questions from the audience ranged from his inspiration for characters to how he wound up writing the Jedi Academy series, a spin off of the Star Wars story, to advice he'd give to young authors and illustrators.

Krosoczka stayed after the program to sign autographs for the many young fans who had come to meet him.

Stay tuned for the next author visit in September. Animal expert Cy Montgomery will be featured on Sept. 26.

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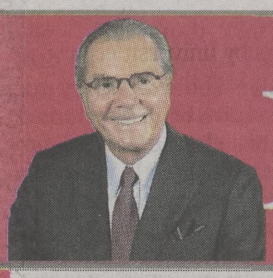

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